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"Inquests"

AMONG THOSE who came to California during the Gold Rush none was more colorful than Judge Richard C. Barry of Sonora. Born in Ireland he had helped Texas gain its independence. With the outbreak of the Mexican War he joined the Texas Scouts.

Early in 1849 he arrived in California and when Sonora was incorporated he was elected Justice of the Peace. Barry was proud of his judicial position. Limited though his formal education was, he did a fair job considering his impatience with attorneys and his profound hatred of Mexicans of which there were many in his jurisdiction. Barry served ex-officio as coroner. Here are some of his minutes written in his original style of spelling.

"No. 2. Michal Burck, found murdered one mile from my offiss . . . After diligent sarch I find no defects upon deseased. I couldn't find any clu to who murdered him . . ."

"No. 4. October 28, 1850. It was roomered that Dr. James Say was poisoned but upon a host mortuem examination Dr. Bradshaw found he died of disease of the heart . . ."

"No. 5. T. Newley killed by Fuller who shot him with a gunn January 30, 1851. I found no property on the diseased. After trying Fuller and finding him guilty he was committed by me, and sentenced by the Court to two years confinement. He broke jale and run off . . ."

"No. 15. Called to attend inquest on the boddly of a Chileno hung by a mob at Dragum Creek, June 25, 1851. I could not find out who the guilty parties were. Said Chileno deserved to die . . ."

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SEPTEMBER IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

The Ride of John Flaco

John Brown, California's Paul Revere, was a Swede who had joined the British Navy at the age of 15. Later he fought under Simon Bolivar in the struggle of South America for independence. Arriving in California, he participated in the Alvarado revolution of 1836 and the Micheltorena War in 1845.

In the following year the Mexican War was in full swing. Down in Los Angeles, Captain Archibald Gillespie, commanding American troops, was having a difficult time. Native Californians besieged him in his little fort.

Brown, nicknamed "John Flaco," Spanish for "Lean John" volunteered to ride to Monterey to obtain aid from Commodore Stockton. He left Los Angeles on September 24, 1846, at eight o'clock in the evening and reached Santa Barbara at 11 P.M. the next day. Obtaining horses at various points he rode into Monterey on September 27, only to learn that Stockton had gone to San Francisco two days before. Undaunted, Brown obtained a new mount and rode on.

He delivered his message. In the meantime, however, Gillespie had surrendered. In four days John Flaco had traveled 630 miles. Of this distance he ran 27 miles on foot when his horse was shot from under him.

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CALIFORNIA'S BIRTHDAY

WHEN CALIFORNIA requested statehood it precipitated a national crisis for it asked to be admitted into the Union as a free state. In Congress John C. Calhoun and Jefferson led the opposition and a fierce battle on the slavery issue ensued.

The delegates who had met at Colton Hall in Monterey in September, 1849, to frame a constitution for California had taken it for granted that the West coast was not suited for slavery. Without a dissenting vote they had inserted a provision that, "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude . . . shall ever be tolerated in this State." What is more, the constitution was ratified by an overwhelming popular vote of 12,064 to 811.

Back in Washington there had been a feeling of uneasiness when Congress convened early in 1850. Obviously California's welcome to the sisterhood of states would not be effected simply. The capital was crowded with delegations supporting various legislative measures. California was not the only state craving admission. Mormons from Salt Lake City asked for the creation of the State of Deseret while residents of western Texas urged the formation of the State of Jacinto. Countering these requests was a bill providing for a territorial govern-

ment for Utah and New Mexico. A new fugitive slave law was proposed. Congress was indeed faced with many troublesome problems. Worst of all, the dark clouds of secession peered over the horizon.

Congress opened its session by conducting some investigations. (They had them in those days, too!) General Bennett Riley was censured for calling the California constitutional convention. President Zachary Taylor, who had secretly encouraged Riley in his action, was severely criticized.

Taylor sent a special message to Congress defending Riley, recommending that California be admitted to the Union and reminding the legislators that they had been remiss in failing to provide the newly acquired territory with any kind of government.

On January 29, 1850, Henry Clay introduced in the Senate a series of resolutions which became the basis of the famous Compromise of 1850.

• ABOUT THE PICTURE

The illustration on this page was adapted by Staff Artist Edward J. Pugh from an old drawing. It is of Colton Hall, at Monterey, where the first California Constitution was framed.

Among these resolutions was one declaring that California ought to be admitted without regard to what her decision on slavery might be. Jefferson Davis recalled the Missouri Compromise of 1820 which provided that with the exception of Missouri, the 36° 30' parallel was the division line between free and slave territory. He proposed that this line be extended to the Pacific Ocean. If this suggestion had been carried out, all of present California south of Fresno would have been a slave state.

Calhoun was a very sick man. He had prepared a speech to voice his sentiments, but was too feeble to deliver it. At his request, on March 4, Senator James M. Mason of Virginia read the address. It was Calhoun's last effort. Before the end of the month he was dead. In this speech he eloquently contended for the principles he had so long espoused and openly advocated secession of the Southern states if they did not obtain that for which they contended. He avowed that the admission of California as a free state would be a serious menace to all the rights of the Southerners for it would break down the last barrier of defense of equal representation in the State. At that time the number of free and slave states were equal.

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La Cristianita

The story of the First Christian Baptism in California

by Leo J. Friis

EVER SINCE the turn of the Eighteenth Century, Spain had kept a suspicious eye on the Russian Bear. Persistent rumors that the Czar was planning to colonize northwest America prompted Spanish officials in Mexico to take steps to settle Alta California. Christianizing the local savages was an important part of the project and the first baptism of a California Indian was an important event in the lives of the Franciscan padres who accompanied the soldiers to the new land.

Portolá's Expedition

On Good Friday, 1769, an expedition under Don Gaspar de Portolá, left Vellicata, Baja California, to carry out a plan to establish outposts on the bays of San Diego and Monterey. The journey to San Diego proved well-nigh disastrous because of lack of water and proper food. Only 126 of 300 men survived the trip. Of these, about one-half were physically fit to march northward.

Portolá recorded that on July 14, 1769, he "went on by land to Monterey with that small company of persons, or rather say skeletons, who had been spared from scurvy, hunger and thirst.

Sergeant José Francisco de Ortega was in charge of the scouts who formed the vanguard of the expedition. (Today his memory is perpetuated by the highway between San Juan Capistrano and Lake Elsinore which bears his name.) He was followed by Portolá, Lt. Pedro Fages, military engineer Miguel Constansó, the Franciscan padres Juan Crespi and Francisco Gómez, and a group of Indian auxiliaries. A 100-mule pack train plodded behind and the rear was brought up by Captain Fernando de Rivera y Moncada who commanded a group of soldiers wearing sleeveless jerkins of leather and carrying bullhide shields to protect



Photo, Courtesy Karl Wray

Elias Cota of San Diego, descendant of one of Portolá's soldiers, stands beside the roadside monument at San Clemente. Upon the monument, which is surmounted by an 18-foot hand-hewn wooden cross, is a bas-relief of a padre, Indian mother and infant, by Los Angeles sculptor William Norton. The California Landmark plaque reads, "La Cristianita—Two miles inland from this point in Los Cristianitos Valley, the first Christian baptism in Alta California was performed by Padre Francisco Gómez, a member of the Portolá Expedition in 1769."

themselves against the arrows of hostile Indians. Father Crespi called these "leather jackets" the "finest horsemen in the world."

First Baptism

On July 22 the expedition reached a point near the San Diego-Orange County line in what is now part of Camp Pendleton. In his diary Father Crespi wrote, "About eleven o'clock we came to a pool of water after having traveled some four leagues . . . This pool of fresh water is in a dry arroyo which is grown with many alders. We made camp near the pool and immediately about fourteen heathen, and as many women, with boys and girls, came and showed themselves to be very friendly. We entertained them and made them gifts."

Crespi continued, "Our scouts informed us that on the preceding day they saw in the village two sick little girls. After asking the commander

for some soldiers to go with us to visit them we went, and we found one which the mother had at her breast apparently dying. We asked for it, saying that we wished to see it, but it was impossible to get it from the mother. So we said to her by signs that we would not do it any harm, but wished to sprinkle its head, so that if it died it might go to heaven. She consented to this, and my companion, Fray Francisco Gómez, baptized it, giving it the name of Maria Magdalena. We went then to the other, also small, who had been burned and was apparently about to die. In the same way I baptized it, giving it the name of Margarita. We did not doubt that both would die and go to heaven."

That these baptisms, the first in California, meant much to the padres, is reflected in Crespi's comment: "With this, the only success that we had obtained, we fathers consider well worthwhile the long



Santa Barbara News-Press Photo

Members of Reina del Mar Parlor pose on portico of the Hill-Carrillo adobe. From left, on steps: Mmes. Jennie Nardi Monk, Joseph M. Meyerink and her niece, Barbara Ann Rivers; Fred Harris, Paul J. Miller. On the porch from left: Mrs. Alfred Davies, Mrs. Henry Griffiths, Miss Ellen Hayward, and the Mmes. Soledad Rochin Birabent, Lillian Fraser, Daniel Kammeyer and Peter A. Graham. Mrs. Harry A. Lamb sits on rock wall. Behind her is Mrs. William M. MacFarlane and her children, Lisa and Billy. Mary Harris is in the garden.

Santa Barbara Fiesta

by
Lisellotte
MacFarlane

THE GAY FIESTA SPIRIT was evoked in Santa Barbara on July 28 at the annual Pre-Fiesta Tea, when members of *Reina del Mar* Parlor No. 126, NDGW, honored the descendants of pioneer families and officials of Old Spanish Days. The affairs took place at Restaurante del Paseo.

Colorful embroidered shawls were worn by members of the older generation. Silks and laces treasured by their grandmothers, heirloom jew-

elry and lace-like tortoise-shell combs were admired. The city officials and members of their families wore Spanish costumes in honor of the gracious compliment to members of families who have made fiesta hospitality so famous that travelers come from all over the world to be in Santa Barbara at the full of the August moon from the 7th to the 11th.

As in old fiesta days the occasion was blessed by the padres from the

Old Mission, the key speech was made by the historian Fr. Maynard Geiger, OFM. He said, "It (the tea) opens our Fiesta season and sets the tone of the celebration we have come to love and reverence."

Mrs. Anita Joyal, President of *Reina del Mar* welcomed the distinguished church and city officials. Mayor Floyd O. Bohnett complimented the Native Daughters on preserving the traditions of the Fiesta. El Presidente Lloyd Monk reminded the guests that the organization assisted significantly with Old Spanish Days. Mrs. B. C. Dismuke, Grand Vice-President of the Native Daughters, welcomed the descendants of pioneer families who were guests of the occasion.

Climaxing the event was the appearance of Saint Barbara, this year Miss Ellen Hayward, Junior Past President of *Reina del Mar*. Announced by a fanfare of trumpets, Miss Hayward descended the balcony stairs. She wore a red velvet cloak over her white satin robe and carried the symbolic palm leaf and chalice.

Saint Barbara is regarded as the protectress against thunder and lightning, firearms and gunpowder, and is invoked against sudden death, it being believed by many that those who implore her aid shall not die without receiving the holy sacraments. Hence, she carries the sacramental cup and wafer. The palm leaf signifies that she was a martyr. The crown is adorned with a tower and sword. The outline of three windows in the tower symbolizes the Holy Trinity and shows that Saint Barbara was a Christian. Her white gown shows her to be a virgin-martyr and her red robe is the traditional conception of her noble birth.

Life leaps like a geyser for those who drill through the rock of inertia."—Alexis Carrel

MARY THUESEN HONORED

Miss Mary Thuesen, granddaughter of Past Grand President Anne C. Thuesen, was honored at a luncheon and presented with a watch as a gift by officers and members of *Alta* Parlor No. 3, N.D.G.W. In August, Miss Thuesen will enter the Order of the Sisters of Mercy at Burlingame.

She and her grandmother, Mrs. Anne Thuesen, have recently returned from a vacation in Honolulu.



Tomlinson Photo

Miss Ellen Hayward, of Reina del Mar Parlor, as Saint Barbara.

The Grand President's Corner

Greetings from Irma M. Caton

Each month through the medium of the *California Herald*, I shall have the privilege of bringing to you an account of some of the interesting experiences that will be mine during my Official Visits.

This article is being written the first part of August, and to date I have not started on my travels, but am looking forward to the many new friendships it will be mine to make and enjoy.

Now that the *California Herald* is our official magazine for another year, I urge the Parlors to send in their new subscription lists so your subscriptions will not lapse with the August issue and that the many new subscribers from our Subordinate Parlors will be able to enjoy the *Herald* as much as I have during this past year. Remember, it is up to you to see that your publicity is sent to the *Herald*. If you are planning a civic function, dedication or other program, see that your article is in the office of the *Herald* by the 10th of the month. Make your articles interesting so they will be enjoyed by all.

The Native Daughters of the Golden West have so many wonderful and worthwhile projects to work

for and at this moment I am thinking of our Conservation program. This is the time of the year when many people are travelling and on vacations. Let us remember not to be "litterbugs" and if we build a fire, put it out completely so that our old and beautiful redwoods and forests are kept green.

September is a very important birthday month. September 9th is the 107th birthday of our State of California; September 25th the 72nd birthday of the Native Daughters of the Golden West. Past Grand President Emma G. Foley, on September 3rd instituted *Vista del Mar Parlor* No. 155, Halfmoon Bay, and on September 23rd, *Encinal Parlor* No. 156, Alameda. Both Parlors have had 50 years of association with our Order and are very active in their communities.

Speak the truth quietly and clearly, and listen to others, even to the dull and ignorant; they, too, have their story. Be yourself; especially do not feign affection. Take kindly the counsel of the years and whatever your labors and aspirations, keep peace in your soul, and you will find this is a wonderful world we live in.

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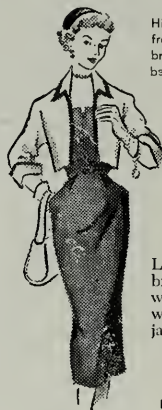
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SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

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Menlo No. 12. Menlo Park—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, Menlo Civic Center; Mrs. Patricia Kozor, Rec. Sec., 23 Buckhorn Avenue, Menlo Park.

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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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Santa Maria No. 276. Santa Maria—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, D.E.S. Hall, 614 W. Chapel;

Mrs. Blanche Powell, Rec. Sec., 508 S. Lincoln, Santa Maria.

Tierra de Oro No. 304. Santa Barbara—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, Neighborhood Home; Mrs. Pauline Hurd, Rec. Sec., 248 La Arcada Bldg., Santa Barbara.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

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Vallejo No. 120. Palo Alto—Meets 3rd Wednesday, Masonic Temple University and Waverly Sts.; Palo Alto; Miss Martha Bidwell, Rec. Sec., 108 Sylvan Ave., Los Altos.

Gilroy No. 312. Gilroy—Meets 4th Friday, American Legion Hall, 5th and Eaglebury St.; Mrs. Evelyn Delia-Santo, Rec. Sec., P. O. Box 71, Gilroy.

Los Gatos No. 317. Los Gatos—Meets last Wednesday of the month, First National Bank Bldg., Los Gatos Branch; Mrs. Virginia Pellicciotti, Rec. Sec., 14101 Marilyn Ave., Saratoga.

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

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SHASTA COUNTY

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SIERRA COUNTY

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Imajoon No. 134. Sierraville—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday, Copren's Hall; Mrs. Jennie Copren, Rec. Sec., Sierraville.

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SUTTER COUNTY

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TEHAMA COUNTY

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TRINITY COUNTY

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TULARE COUNTY

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TUOLUMNE COUNTY

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YOLO COUNTY

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YUBA COUNTY

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Railroad to the Sky



Marking of the Sam Merrill Trail by Pasadena Parlor No. 290—From left: Mrs. Ida Rice, Parlor president; Miss Catherine McCollum, chairman of the project.

PASADENA PARLOR NO. 290, Native Daughters of the Golden West, placed a marker on the Sam Merrill Trail to Echo Mountain in honor of Professor Thaddeus S. C. Lowe on Saturday, July 20. The marker, a beautiful granite stone, was carved with the following inscription:

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By 1933 the original trail to Echo mountain had become so completely obliterated that Charles E. Warner, a Pasadenan, instigated a movement to build a new trail to the world famous Echo Mountain and Mt. Lowe. Mr. Warner organized "The Forest Conservation Club," a group composed of Altadenans and Pasadenans, for the purpose of building the trail. It was not until the Conservation Club assured the Forest Service there would be no expense to them that they were given

the green light to go ahead. The new trail was started in 1934 and completed in March 1935. The trail was first called the *Warner Trail*, but because of Sam Merrill's continued efforts to maintain it over a long period, the name was changed to *Sam Merrill Trail*. With the passing of Merrill in 1949, Bob Sturdevant took over as "Keeper of the Trail" until his health failed. The job is now being done by Starr Barnum of La Canada and members of the Sierra Club.

Professor Thaddeus S. C. Lowe, an engineer from Pennsylvania, came to Pasadena in 1890. An avid mountaineer, the professor spent much of his leisure time hiking in the mountains north of Pasadena. One day he told his friends he had decided to build a "railroad to the sky" in order that his wife and others could see the wonderful sights as he had seen them. In 1892 the Mt. Lowe Co. was formed and work started on the railroad. Shortly after, Lowe started building hotels in the mountains, one in Rubio Canyon, two others at the top of Echo Mountain and a fourth at Mt. Lowe.

Independence Day, July 4, 1893, the first load of passengers rode in little chariot-like cable cars up the incline to the City on top of the Mountain, built by a man determined that all the world might see the panoramic beauty of the San Gabriel Valley and surrounding territory.

The two Echo Mountain hotels were destroyed by fire shortly after the turn of the century. Then the Rubio Canyon hotel was ruined as a result of landslides in 1905. The "Alpine Tavern" at Mt. Lowe burned September 15, 1936. In 1938 the last of the railroad was destroyed by storm. Thus ended the gay crowds that rode the scenic railway to the world's most famous Mountain, but even today the beauty of Echo Mountain lingers on.

Mrs. Ida Rice, President of Pasadena Parlor No. 290 acted as Mistress of ceremonies at the marking. Speakers included Ed Hefflinger, one of the original builders of the Trail; Eddie Rankin, organizer of the Altadena Mountaineers and San Dimas Rescue Squad; and Don Starr of the United States Forestry Service. Catharin McCollum was chairman of the project and under her capable supervision the funds were raised for the stone and engraving. Sheldon Russell and Dwight Ervin were responsible for the concrete work in placing the marker.

Pasadena Parlor has registered the Landmark with the State Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee at Sacramento, under the division of Beaches and Parks, and it will become a registered State Landmark.



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CALIFORNIA'S BIRTHDAY . . .

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Three days later Daniel Webster made his famous "Reply to Hayne." He commenced by saying, "I wish to speak today, not as a Massachusetts man, not as a Northern man, but as an American . . . I speak for the preservation of the Union." He pointed out that the soil and climate of California excluded the idea of the introduction of slavery and by reason thereof declared that the Creator Himself had ordained that the new state should be free. Denouncing secession Webster frankly admitted that the Southerners had reason to complain of the manner in which the fugitive slave law was being administered, an admission which cost him much political support in his own state.

Webster was followed by senators of lesser note and the debate raged through the summer. Then President Taylor, California's friend, died. He was succeeded by Millard Fillmore who was noted for his ability to "ride the fence." Everybody was apprehensive as to what he would do.

In the meantime the people of California were becoming restive. There was much talk of declaring independence and setting up a separate republic on the Pacific coast. Finally, on August 13, the Senate passed a bill providing for

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California's admission. This bill was sent to the House of Representatives which passed it on September 7. Two days later President Fillmore gave his approval. (In commemoration of the great event, each year California celebrates September 9 as Admission Day.)

More than a month passed by before the people of California learned the good news. Every steamship captain hoped that he might be the lucky person to bring the official notification. The lot fell to the skipper of the *Oregon*. As that ship steamed through the Golden Gate on the morning of October 18, she was flying a banner bearing the inscription, "California is a State." The good news was signalled to the people of the city from Telegraph Hill. Nobody worked in San Francisco that day. The courts closed. All was rejoicing. The thirty-first star had been added to the flag.

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Merin Hall, Druid's Temple, San Francisco was the scene of a happy gathering when members and guests of *James Lick* Parlor No. 220 honored President Alta Gaunt with a handkerchief shower. Mrs. Gaunt has just recovered from several weeks illness in hospital and home.

The many social and money raising events that have been in the making for several months are now rolling to completion. The winner was drawn for the crocheted bedspread made and donated by Jaredna Johnson. The proceeds of this affair goes into the *California Herald* Subscription Fund. The proceeds of the Rag Drive also goes into this fund.

JUNIOR CONFERENCE

Plans are progressing for the Fall Conference of Junior Native Daughters to be held at the Veteran's Memorial Building, 1351 Bennett Ave., Santa Rosa on October 19-20. Registration will be held Saturday morning from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. with Santa Rosa Junior Unit No. 31 in charge. In addition to the regular conference, there will be a special luncheon, banquet, dance and interesting sight seeing tours.

The sixteen units are entitled to one delegate at large and one delegate for each ten members. Any Junior may attend as a visitor.

The subjects for the Junior Essay Contest which is held in connection with the Conference are California's Twelve Flags; The California Indian — Yesterday and Today; Ghost Towns of California. A first prize of \$15 and a second prize of \$10 will be awarded. Essays must be of at least 500 words in length and not over 1000 words. The units may also

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enter Press Books for awards. The press books will be judged on publicity, historical value, appearance and content, covers and index, division sheets and tabbing. There will be a \$15 first award and a \$10 second award.

Junior Units have been asked to contribute material for the *California Herald*. Juniors will send this material to the State Chairman, Maxiene Porter by the fifth of each month.

UNIQUE PLAN SUCCESSFUL

On April 17, 1957, *Beverly Hills* Parlor No. 289, Native Daughters of the Golden West, voted unanimously to support the *California Herald* one hundred percent regardless of the outcome at Grand Parlor with respect to the subscription rate for the ensuing year.

As soon as the results from Grand Parlor were received, the Parlor's *California Herald* Chairman, Laura Blodale, announced that a "Tar-deada Californiana" would be held at the home of member Bessie Ragan on Angeles Vista Blvd. A menu of

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max of a three day fiesta at San Clemente which commenced on the morning of July 20 with a two hour parade of which General R. H. Ridgely, new commander at Camp Pendleton, served as honorary grand marshal.

One of the most interesting entries in the parade was that of *Pasadena* Parlor No. 290, NDGW. Parlor members Hazel Bailey, Violet E. Alton and Vickie Mann, in early California costumes rode in a 1927 Crane-Simplex automobile driven by its owner, Carson G. Bell. Prominently displayed were the 13 flags which have flown over California during its long and eventful history. These flags were displayed at the last session of the Grand Parlor of the Native Daughters at Oakland and are the work of Vice-president Alton and her history and landmarks committee.

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CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION PARTY

Grace Parlor No. 242 of Anaheim held its installation of officers, August 1, at which time Harriett Hadewig, president of the Parlor, appointed Betty Bennett as Children's Foundation Chairman. Mrs. Bennett announced that a Dessert Card Party will be held at Knott's Berry Farm, in the Garden Room from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., Saturday, September 14. There will be table and door prizes. The proceeds will go to the Children's Foundation and local welfare work. For Reservation, call Betty Bennett not later than September 12. Telephone LAMbert 5-6716.

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Contestants must be native of California, age 16 to 21 inclusive to November 1, 1957, and must be at least 5 feet 3 inches tall. Contestants under 18 must show written consent of their parents. Judging will be

based on beauty, gracefulness, poise and personality. A set of rules has been sent to all Parlors of the two Orders.

Building and decorating has again become the privilege of the Float Committee who in the past has diligently worked to create works of art. It is the duty of the Committee to raise the necessary funds. It is hoped Parlor participation will reach a goal of 100% in its contributions which should be mailed to the State Chairman, Florence M. Grass, 3452 West 59th Place, Los Angeles 43.

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The officers and publicity chairman for the term 1957-1958 were chosen as were the committees for all the coming events. The dates will be announced later. Each Committee Chairman set a date for her committee to meet to get things under way.

A very special thanks from each San Francisco County Deputy was expressed to Grand President Irma M. Caton for Manuals, Rituals, Constitutions and Installation Books received at the meeting.

UNIQUE PLAN . . .

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appetizers, barbecued steak, enchilada casserole, tossed green salad, fruit compote, french pastries and coffee plus "antojitos Californianos" and the José Nieto Troubadors enticed many members of the Order to the gay event under the Chairmanship of Consuelo Malatesta, who is widely known for her celebrated parties.

The tariff for the gala evening, wherein all the ladies came attired in early California costumes, was five dollars. The parlor members and the Chairman of the California Herald and her committee members Gladys Monlon, Dolores Collings, Senaida Sullivan, Hilda Garcia, Helen Moreland and Vivian Smith reviewed the price and after careful consideration felt the price a fair one in view of the many months of joy and entertaining reading they would receive from their subscription and support of the *California Herald*.

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The following case, recorded in his inimitable spelling, is illustrative: "This was another caze of murder against 110 Greasers. The whul of them was captured by 80 brave americans, they was put into a large Corral and me and his honor Gudge Radcliffe examined em. After heering all witnesses in both sides we came to the conclusion that they was not guilty. We therefore ordered the guard to reelease them, which beeing dun they returned joyfully hoamwards."

On another occasion he was compelled to order several Mexican defendants jailed to protect them from mob violence. He wrote: "This caze was one of suposed murder. The folowing were the names of the prisoners: Pablo Martinez, Dionisio Ocho, Gabino Casias, Ruiz Molina, these were indians and mexicans having been charged with the haneous crime of murder by 4 citizens of green springs . . . I had them brought before me, and with great patience and deliberation I heered all the evidense taking it down in writing as this was a proper and most important caze and the poplace were so excited I ordered sheriff Work to protect the prisoners which he did summary and with great determination.

"After patiently heering the caze through I did not find them guilty and ordered them to be discharged.

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OCTOBER IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

Cabrillo discovered Santa Monica Bay on October 8, 1542. He named his discovery "Bahia de los Fumos" (Bay of the Smokes) because of the many Indian camp fires seen there.

Sixth of the Alta California missions, Misión San Francisco de Asís, was founded by Fathers Francisco Palóu, Pedro Cambón, José Nosedal and Tomás de la Peña on October 9, 1776. The mission was named for Saint Francis of Assisi, founder of the Franciscan Order.

When delegates, elected to a constitutional convention, at Monterey, met on October 13, 1849, they adopted California's first constitution. It established the boundary of the State, provided for the election of executive, legislative and judicial officials, created a system of taxation and ordered the foundation of public schools.

Rancho San Rafael, the first land grant in California, was made by Gov. Pedro Fages to José Mariá Verdugo on October 20, 1874. The grant covered portions of the present cities of Burbank and Glendale.

The Orange Growers Protective Union of Southern California was organized on October 24, 1885. This was the first cooperative marketing plan for citrus fruits.

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Electricity from Atomic Energy

by Leo J. Feits

ATOMIC HISTORY is being made in California. Since last July 12 many residents of the southern part of the State have been using electricity generated by atomic power. The source of this energy is a sodium reactor situated in the Santa Susana Mountains, about 30 miles northwest of the Los Angeles city hall.

The Sodium Reactor Experiment, popularly called SRE, was designed and built for the Atomic Energy Commission by Atomics International and is a part of the Commission's program to develop economically competitive civilian power from nuclear energy. The Southern California Edison Company has installed turbine generating equipment to convert to electricity the heat energy produced by the reactor.

The electricity is being produced in the following manner: (1) atomic fission in the reactor develops heat; (2) this heat is transferred to liquid sodium circulating through the "core" of the reactor where the atomic fission takes place; (3) at temperatures ranging from 750° to 900° F. the sodium is pumped to an exchanger where the heat is removed; (4) this heat is used to make steam; (5) the steam drives turbo-generators which generate electricity.

The reactor uses uranium slightly enriched with Uranium 235 in the core. Graphite, used to moderate or slow down the neutrons which cause the Uranium 235 to fission, surrounds the fuel. 10,000 gallons of sodium flow through the core and absorb the heat created by the fission process. Together with the core and the cooling sodium the reactor is encased



Photo, Courtesy Atomics International

Electricity from atomic power—Southern California Edison electric generating plant, in Santa Susana Mountains, which is powered by energy created by a sodium reactor.

in a steel tank, the entire unit being installed underground with five feet of dense concrete between the reactor and ground level.

Designed to produce 20,000 kilowatts of heat, from it the Edison equipment will generate approximately 6,500 kilowatts of electricity. In its first test the generator operated at a level of about 1,000 kilowatts of electricity. The generating facilities will operate intermittently, depending upon the experimental operation of the reactor.

SRE marks the first time that a non-military atomic energy reactor has produced power for the generation of electricity by a private utility company. Incidentally, the heat energy created by the reactor is purchased by the Edison Company from the Atomic Energy Commission.

As much information as electricity is expected to be produced by the experiment. It is part of the Atomic Energy Commission's five year program to develop economical electricity from atomic energy. Edison officials have stated that they will share with other power generating organizations the information they gain from the experiment.

The nuclear electric plant will be operated as a research development project and will supply only a fraction of 1% of the Edison Company's total system requirements. Although higher in production cost, the electricity will be distributed to customers at the regular rates.

The reactor project, which has been under way for several years, was originally set up to cost \$10,-

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How I ORGANIZED THE NATIVE DAUGHTERS

by Lilly O. Reichling
part 2

NATIVE Daughters pride themselves on knowing the rules that are laid down in that little brown book, backward. They can reel them off by the yard and take pleasure in doing it in the bargain.

Once in a while during a session Mrs. A. proposes a certain motion and then to show wherein it will prove a distinct advantage to everybody concerned brings all her knowledge to bear on the point. Of course that is merely to make it perfectly clear and comprehensive, you understand. If Mrs. B. does not like the idea she will stand forth and oppose the amendments right heartily. She, in turn, will try and outdo her neighbor's extensive knowledge in the House of Parliament's by-laws and, if she is clever, things will suddenly veer her way.

There is a battle royal on. In a very dignified way, you know. When Mrs. A. reaches the point where she simply cannot stand it any longer she will bounce up and inform us that entirely too much rule is allowed and not enough common sense used.

But with all this there is comparatively little real trouble. Things run smoothly and well. The girls have a queer way of getting rid of bad thoughts and words if they have them. If they call some one a "pie face," "hatchet face" or "black maria" they seem satisfied and, as they call these endearing names to their faces there is no harm done and it certainly is a good method of avoiding real difficulty.

But to get back to the first parlor. *Ursula* was its name. Her formal debut was made quite an occasion. The Native Sons presented her with a complete set of regalia and between refreshments and all the festive ac-

cessories which go to make such an affair enjoyable, made speeches, telling us how delighted they were to have a side issue. They changed their minds completely. No woman could have done it more gracefully.

We were but formally launched when I was called upon to install *Minerva* Parlor No. 2 in the Mission, San Francisco. Our success had been commented and dilated upon so much that other native-born daughters wanted to join us and swell the ranks.

This second parlor came into existence with fifty-four members, and its first officers were installed on March 10. *Alta* Parlor No. 3 of San Francisco was also ready for installation by this time and had fully 240 members. They were installed March 12 by the trio that usually did the work—Mrs. Amy Badere, my sister and myself.

The Santa Rosa parlor came next with forty members, and others followed in quick succession. You can imagine how much we had grown when I tell you that the State demanded four deputies. Again some idea of the rapidity of the organization may be gained when you know that within four months after the start of the first parlor there were seventeen ready to form the Grand Parlor, which convened in San Francisco July 25, 1887.

We had our meeting in Pioneer Hall, and thirty-nine delegates were present. What a time we had! The very newness of the thing lent enchantment and variety. Everything

that we did was a great pleasure and no trouble whatsoever. If that spirit only could remain with us always we would be a much stronger lodge and our interests would be infinitely better looked after.

But we have grown and prospered exceedingly. Even at that time our membership was very close to 1000. It now closes over 5000. Then we were struggling and trying to get on our feet, now we hope to be able to put others on their feet and to be of some material use to our State.

In 1895 it was voted that "the Grand Parlor shall be composed of past grand presidents, the founder, Miss Lilly O. Reichling, and the past grand secretary, Georgie C. Ryan, retaining continuous membership in the order, all grand officers of the expiring terms and all delegates duly elected by the various subordinate parlors."

So you see the Grand Parlor duly recognized me as the founder, and they were extremely courteous to me and Miss Ryan.

Then in '96 they gave me a voice and a vote. One funny thing happened about the Grand Lodge. When the delegates were being elected for the first Grand Parlor some of the ladies said plainly that I was too young to be sent. They thought some one wiser and more deliberate should be chosen to help the first executive body. Even when a friend of mine laughingly remarked that if I was old enough to

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AGUA MANSA was a small village whose site was between the present cities of Riverside and San Bernardino near the county line. It was settled in 1845 by a group of New Mexicans under the leadership of Lorenzo Trujillo.

The story of the bell is an interesting one. As there was no belfry in the old Agua Mansa church, two poles were procured and placed near each other in the ground. A cross piece was fastened to the poles and upon this the bell was swung. As the poles were green, they took root and became large trees. Ultimately, one tree died and the bell was hung on the living one that remained. The bell cracked and according to legend, the tree in which it was suspended died because it believed the bell to be dead.

During the great flood of the Santa Ana river in 1862, Father James Anthony Borgatta, pastor of the church, upon hearing the roar of the oncoming waters rang the bell vigorously as a warning to the inhabitants of the little village. Fortunately no lives were lost in the disaster, but most of the buildings of the settlement were swept away. The church was spared.

In the following year the Rev. Fr. Peter Verdaguer came to serve the community. Desiring to have a new bell, but not possessing the funds with which to purchase one, he determined to recast the old one. In his memoirs he wrote, "I heard that an old Mexican in the neighborhood could make a bell. I went to him and he agreed that should I give him two good horses and twelve dollars, with the material necessary, he would make a good bell. . . . The man went to work at once at the foot of the hill where Mr. (Cornelius) Jensen's house stood; he made the oven and the mold, and soon the cast was made. (According to a contemporary, people threw gold and silver coins, chains and other jewelry into the cauldron where the molten metal was being prepared.) Hundreds were present when the Mexican broke the mold, and when the bell was seen there was a shouting which resounded from hill to hill. But, alas, the joy was soon changed to sorrow, because we noticed on one side of the top two small holes, which not only disfigured the bell,



Dedicating marker of Agua Mansa Bell. From left: Mrs. Ruth Schumacher, then Parlor president; Riverside Mayor E. V. Dales; Mrs. Floretta Banks, chairman of project and S.D.D.G.P. of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties. Appearing on the marker are the words: "Agua Mansa de San Salvador. This Historic Bell, Dedicated to 'Our Lady of Guadalupe,' Marked the Adobe Church of Agua Mansa, near Riverside, from 1852 to 1868. This Bell is Marked by Jurupa Parlor No. 296 Native Daughters of the Golden West. July 24, 1957."

Agua Mansa Bell

by Ynez S. Barbour

but were the cause that its sound was not as pleasant as we expected."

The bell was put back into use until the Agua Mansa church was destroyed by the flood of 1868. Later it was placed in the little wooden Catholic church at Colton. When that structure burned the bell was acquired by Frank A. Miller, founder of the Mission Inn.

Jurupa Parlor No. 296, N.D.G.W., conducted ceremonies on July 24 in the patio of the Riverside Mission

Inn at which it marked the historic Agua Mansa bell. Among those participating in the marker dedication were Mrs. Floretta Banks, chairman of the project; Mrs. Ruth Schumacher, then parlor president; Riverside Mayor E. V. Dales; Dr. A. G. Paul, president of the Riverside County Historical Society; and Dr. Krieger of the Riverside Museum.

Prior to the ceremonies, members of Jurupa Parlor and their guests had breakfast at the Mission Inn.

TOURNAMENT OF ROSES . . . A SHORT HISTORY

by Florence M. Grass

NOW called "The Greatest Show on Earth," the first Tournament of Roses was held on January 1, 1890. It was called "A Tourney of Roses." Dr. Charles Frederick Holder, world traveler, writer and lecturer, conceived the Tournament of Roses in 1889 as an event to celebrate the fact that there are flowers in bloom and luxuriant sunshine in Southern California in mid-winter, while most of the country is under ice and snow.

Held on the streets of Pasadena every New Year's Day since 1890, the Tournament of Roses began its celebration when members of the

so great that the Valley Hunt Club relinquished its sponsorship to a committee of community leaders who formed the Tournament of Roses Association in 1895. It is now a year-round organization. This Association today numbers some 1300 members who serve on 30 committees. These committees are each assigned certain duties to insure the smooth development of the Rose Parade and Rose Bowl Game. Among their functions is to screen applications to participate in the parade by float, band and horse sponsors.

In 1904 the Chariot Races were

theme quest is announced and the public responds with thousands of ideas. Judges determine the one they like best and the parade participants begin work on sketches that ultimately become the beautiful floats seen each New Year's Day. Only fresh flowers are permitted on all floats.

Grand Parlor Resolution

The Native Daughters of the Golden West, at their statewide Grand Parlor held in Oakland, June, 1957, adopted a resolution that made the Tournament of Roses Committee one of their Standing Grand Parlor Committees.

NSGW and NDGW Theme Name Selected

"DREAMERS ALL," is the appropriate theme name for the design selected for the Native Sons and Daughters Float in keeping with the January 1, 1958 parade theme, "DAY DREAMS IN FLOWERS."

With enthusiasm and sincere pride in maintaining their place in the parade, and once again being able to proudly place the name of the Native Sons and Daughters Organizations to over 62 million people throughout the world, the Inter-Parlor, Southern District Float Committee, and members of the State Committee, are proceeding with their plans for the float. A photograph of the float sketch design with description of the design, colors and flowers to be used for decorating, will be published in a later issue of the *California Herald* magazine.

Beauty Contests for Participants

Beauty contests are being held throughout the state by both Orders for the four girls to ride on the float. Information and rules of the contest have been sent to all Parlors. The contest closes November 1. The winners will be announced in the December issue of the *California Herald*.

Volunteer Workers Needed

This year the Inter-Parlor Southern District Float Committee is negotiating for the decorating of another float to help raise additional funds for the financing of its float.

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"La Fiesta" — N.S. and N.D.G.W. 1957 entry

Valley Hunt Club would decorate their buggies and surreys with flowers grown in their own gardens. The early day families would compete with each other to produce original floral designs and would parade each New Year's morning down the main street to the ball park. The rest of the day would be spent with sports events.

News of this mid-winter floral pageant came to the attention of America when a Los Angeles reporter saw the parade and wrote a story that was copied by newspapers in Chicago and New York. The first publicity started a wave of visitors who wanted to see for themselves the spectacle of flowers in the middle of winter.

In five years the parade had become so famous and the problems

introduced and drew great crowds. D. M. Linnard, E. T. Off, and Revel English were some of the charioteers. Later, the football game was put on in lieu of the chariot races. In the first game, Michigan defeated Stanford by a score of 49 to 0. The East-West grid classic originated in 1916. In 1922 the Rose Bowl was first used.

In 1906 the first queen was chosen. She was Miss Elsie Armitage. Queens were an annual feature until 1913 when they were discontinued for some years, but are again a popular feature.

Since 1926 all floats have been worked out along the lines of a central theme. The idea was originated by southern California women. Early order of business each year is to select the theme. Through the cooperation of the area's newspapers, the



The Sparrow and Canary

by Louis Danz

PART XXVI

OUTSIDE IT WAS SO STILL John could almost hear it. The moon had come like a ghost. Snow up to his knees spread out anywhere. His feet were heavy. They clung to the ground like stones frozen in the winter's ice.

The light in Hattie's bedroom window made a red spot in the shadows.

John turned up his coat collar. His thoughts stumbled through his head like his feet through the snow. Each block seemed a mile. When he reached his father's house he panted as if he had been chased by something out of a nightmare.

He rang the doorbell. It sounded as loud as a fire alarm.

But there was no answer.

He pushed the button again and then another time.

The light in the hall went on.

Who is it, Father called.

John didn't answer. Instead he rang the bell the fourth time. The door opened. It opened just enough for him to get one foot inside.

He was quick as a sharp wind.

Who is it, Father asked.

It's John. It's your son John.

Father tried to close the door but John's foot was a strong wedge and Father pushed harder and John said. I'm coming in I'm coming in, and Father said. Stay out You're not my son I don't know you.

But John pressed against the door with all his strength. Little by little he forced his father back against the wall.

And now John almost didn't feel real any more. He was like something run with wires and wheels instead of the person he used to be but wasn't now and he said, I want my mother. The baby is coming.

Leave this house, Father said.

John went close to him and raised both his fists. Hattie's baby is going to be born maybe tonight maybe in an hour and she wants my mother.

Who is it Walt, Mother called from the top of the stairs.

Mother, John shouted. Come down Mother come down.

Stay where you are Martha, Father called back.

But Mother came down the stairs. For goodness sake John what is this about.

And John said, Hattie needs you Mother she needs you the baby is coming Hattie asked for you.

Martha stay where you are, Father said and Mother turned and went back upstairs and John called after her, Mother Mother Mother.

Now leave my house, Father said.

He turned towards the stairs.

But one can wind a clock too tight.

And John began to pour out words words that had been burning inside him for as long as he remembered and when Father turned to go up the stairs John took hold of him and held him and Father said, Let go, and he said, Let go or I'll strike you, but John held tighter.

You've always said that you never struck me, he told his father, and you said that when I was little you never whipped me and that you loved me but you made a whip out of your love and you beat me with it until I was bleeding inside and you couldn't see the blood. You made me afraid of your loving. You made me afraid of everything. All my life you have kept me afraid. But now it's over. It's all over. I'm not afraid any more Father. I'm not afraid of anything in the world. Do you understand that Father. I'm not afraid any more.

John shook his father's arm.

And then he saw his mother com-

ing down the stairs and she had her coat on and she had her hat on.

The one with the blue feathers in it.

And John said, Oh thank God, and he pulled his father away from the stairs and Mother walked to the door and then in a voice that didn't sound like his voice Father said, Martha Martha if you leave this house you can never come back. Martha you can never come back. Never Never.

But Mother didn't look at him. She walked on to the door and John went to her and put his arms around here and opened the door. And Father said, Oh God what have I left undone to deserve this.

And he sat down on the stairs as if all his strength was gone and he covered his eyes with his hands.

And John and his mother left the house.

Go in, Mother, go in, John said when they got to his house. I'll run for the doctor.

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And he did and on the way back he kept turning like a boy with a kite on the end of a string to see if the doctor was still following him.

And he thought, He's slow He's slow.

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When Doctor Barrows went into Hattie's room he talked as if no one was listening. Well Well, he said, I must have been wrong yes I must have been wrong in my dates. And when he came out of the room he was still talking to nobody and John said, How is she, and he was biting at his finger nail.

What's that, the doctor said.

How's Hattie, John said.

Fine just fine, the doctor said.

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The Grand President's Corner

Greetings from Irma M. Caton

On September 16, 1957, I had the pleasure and privilege of attending



ceremonies at the California Historical Society in San Francisco, when a beautiful onyx punchbowl service was presented from the U.S. Navy, through Retired Fleet Admiral

Chester W. Nimitz, to Mr. Joseph R. Knowland, President of the Historical Society.

This service was presented to the armored Cruiser *California* when it was launched on April 28, 1904, under the auspices of the Native Sons of the Golden West.

The Native Daughters of the Golden West played a most important part in this event by presenting, on November 2, 1907, a bronze tablet showing the Seal of the State of California in relief, supported by the American and Bear flags and encircled by a wreath of golden poppies. The committee in charge of the tablet was Mrs. May C. Boldeman, chairman; Mrs. Leah Wagner Williams and Mrs. Dora Blum, vice

chairmen; Mrs. Emma Gruber Foley, treasurer and Miss Anna F. Lacy, secretary. The casting of this tablet was made in June, 1904. The following was taken from Grand Parlor proceedings:

"After an eloquent invocation by Miss Clara E. Wittenmeyer of *Ramona* Parlor No. 21, Grand President Emma Gruber Foley made the presentation address:

"Strangely enough, the Pacific Ocean will soon be the scene of the greatest naval gathering in the world. Far from being pacific, this ocean promises to become the scene of future great struggles just as the Mediterranean Sea was in the past. We as true Californians are proud to number in the coming fleet our own cruiser, *The California*.

"In behalf of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, I am indeed proud to present to you, Captain and your officers and men, this gift as a testimonial of our appreciation that the cruiser has been named after our beloved State. I hope that her guns will always speak in peace, and that if the time ever comes when she must speak for war I feel that their voices will but add to the incomparable glory of the United States Navy."

When called upon by Mr. Knowland, who told the assembled audience that the Native Daughters had a part in the dedication of the cruiser *California*, I read the above quotation, as I felt that the original words by our then Grand President Emma Foley, fitted in so much with the program of the evening. The tablet has been placed in the Navy Museum in Vallejo, California.

What wonderful experiences our Grand Presidents have had in the past and what a thrill it would be to our members, if, during the year they could bring those experiences to us through the medium of our *California Herald*. May we have the pleasure of your accounts of some outstanding event in your year as Grand President?

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LIBRARY GIVEN FLAGS

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Harold Criss, two flags were presented to the Lassen County Branch Library at Bieber. The Bear Flag was the gift to the library from the members of *Mt. Lassen* Parlor No. 215; the national emblem was presented by the Legion Auxiliary.



Grand President Irma M. Caton Presents Flag

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- 2 *Gold of Ophir* No. 190.....°Oroville
- 3 *Buena Vista* No. 68 and *Presidio* No. 148.....°San Francisco
- 5 Sacramento Co. Founders Day and Children's Foundation Luncheon
- 8 *El Vespere* No. 118.....°San Francisco
- 11 *Liberty* No. 213.....°Elk Grove
- 14 *Calistoga* No. 145.....°Calistoga
- 15 *Camp Far West* No. 218 and *Marysville* No. 162..°Wheatland
- 17 *Brooklyn* No. 157 — 50th Anniversary.....°Oakland
- 19-20 Junior Conference.....Santa Rosa
- 24 *Berendos* No. 23, *Camellia* No. 41, *Lassen View* No. 98 and *Hiauwatha* No. 140.....°Red Bluff
- 25 *Eltapome* No. 55.....°Weaverville
- 26 San Francisco Extension of Order Dinner Dance
- 28 *Escol* No. 16.....°Napa
- 31 *Las Amigas* No. 311, *Carquinez* No. 310, *Donner* No. 193, *Antioch* No. 223, *Las Juntas* No. 221, and *Stirling* No. 146.....°Pittsburg

Note: Official Visits are marked with an asterisk (*)

After the opening prayer by Mrs. Roma Reavis, Assistant Branch Librarian, Mrs. Criss took charge of the ceremony. Mrs. Frances Summers, charter member of the Parlor read "The Flag" stressing the meaning of the flag to every true American. Mrs. Arkie Wolters, Auxiliary president presented the flag of the United States to Miss Lenala Martin of Susanville, County Librarian, who in turn handed it to Mrs. Grace Anderson, branch librarian of Bieber. Mrs. Nettie McKenzie, charter mem-

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Admission Day Observance

Oakland Hosts Native Sons and Daughters In Celebration of State's Natal Day

By Sarah K. Bryant
Publicity Chairman
Admission Day Committee

THE Native Sons and Native Daughters of the Golden West celebrated California's 107th birthday at Oakland last September 7, 8 and 9. Festivities commenced on the evening of September 7 when 500 members of the two Orders enjoyed a banquet at the Leamington Hotel.

P.G.P. Edward T. Schnarr, serving as master of ceremonies, introduced Lloyd Burke, United States Attorney for Northern California, who gave an interesting address on the Bear Flag Revolt of 1846. He declared, "Unique in the history of the world is the true story of the Bear Flag Republic in California. Here existed a nation with a republican form of government and a flag of its own emblazoned with the lone star and a painted image of the Grizzly Bear. Its life, short though it may have been, stands without parallel in the history of the World." The banquet was followed by a dance.

Citizenship Program

On September 8 the Citizenship Day Program was celebrated at Lakeside Park where 813 Alameda County residents, who had been naturalized during the year, were honored. The Native Sons and Native Daughters assisted in arranging this program which was attended by Presidents Irma M. Caton and Larry J. Laffeur. Among the speakers were Senator William F. Knowland, Attorney Edmund G. Brown and Superior Court Judge Folgar Emerson.

Competition

On this day the Native Sons and Native Daughters held their competition for drum and bugle corps, drum corps and drill teams at Auditorium Field, together with golf, bowling and baseball tournaments.

In the Native Sons drum and bugle corps competition, *Sea Point* Parlor No. 158 won first honors for the ninth consecutive year. *Piedmont*

Parlor No. 120 was second. Among the drum corps, *Fruitvale* No. 252 was first, *Castro* No. 232, second; *Utopia* No. 270, third; and *Estudillo* No. 223, fourth.

Twin Peaks Mixed N.S.G.W. and N.D.G.W. Drum Corps won first.

Young Jimmy Robbins, 5, mascot of this corps, received a great ovation in his appearance as the youngest performer in competition. Wearing a miniature version of the black and white West Point style uniform of the organization of which his mother is a member, he marched stiffly across the field, turned to salute the judges and then resumed his march.

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NEW OFFICERS FOR TWO MISSION PARLORS

Mission Parlor No. 35, N.S.G.W. and Mission Parlor No. 227, N.D.G.W. were jointly installed recently, the ceremony taking place at Dovre Hall, San Francisco. Mrs. Dolores Donohue was chairman of the evening.

Deputy Grand President Clarisse Meyer of San Francisco installed Bertha Whitney as president of the Native Daughters. Other officers installed included Imelda Pasquin, Zelma Buckholz, Ruth Perry, Ann Dippel, Inga Meyer, Lillian Storti, Loretta Wright, Gloria Ohlendorf, Marie Derby, Ann Williams, Dolores Donohue, Constance Warshaw, Theresa Estelita and Mae Coleman.

Mrs. Dolores Kikki will be the new Deputy Grand President to Mission Parlor No. 227; Mrs. Mae Coleman and Mrs. Zelma Buckholz of Mission Parlor to Minerva No. 2 and Portola No. 172 respectively.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Nellie Ohlendorf and her committee.

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KEITH PARLOR INSTALLATION

A "Garden of Angels" was the theme of the evening of August 7 when Keith Parlor No. 137, NDGW, San Francisco, installed Katherine Driscoll and her corps of officers who are Clara Rahmer, Lorraine Ryan, Bertha Cole, and Carrie Scheffler, Elizabeth Graham, Santana Farullo, Alice Barichievich, Mary Pander, Vera Thompson, Gertrude Cassidy, Bertha Mauser, Mary Rahmer and Roberta Landers.

Deputy Grand President Gladys Nelson of Minerva Parlor No. 2 installed. Mildred Ehlert of Las Lomas Parlor No. 72 is the new Deputy Grand President. Clara Rahmer was chairman of the evening, assisted by Roberta Landers and her committee. As a climax to the beautiful ceremony, musical entertainment was presented and a reception was held in the colorful dining room of the Home.



Above: 1957-58 officers of Tule Vista Parlor No. 305. Below: New officers of Lugonia Parlor No. 241.

TULE VISTA INSTALLATION

Lucille Fittro and her corps of officers of Tule Vista Parlor No. 305, Porterville, were installed on July 11 by Deputy Grand President Julia Walther of Charter Oak Parlor No. 292. Grand Trustee Dorothy Helm and Myrtle Hartine, organizer of Tule Vista, were present.

Officers installed were Lucille Fittro, Rita Arborn, Carolyn Simmenic, Carmel McIntyre, Maud Waller, Esther Waldron, Ann Walker, Eva Tellis, Rose Janoika, Lorienta McKiernan, Naomi Martin, Edna Parker, Daisy Evans, Gertrude McIntyre, Ethel Thompson, Neva McGee, Evelyn Whittemore and Pearl Young.

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The crystal-gazer told her visitor that her fee was \$25, and that it entitled her to ask two questions.

"My! Isn't that a great deal of money for just two questions?"

"Yes, it is, madam. And now what is your second question?"

JOINT INSTALLATION

The Greek Theatre of San Bernardino Valley College was the scene of the impressive installation rites of Lugonia Parlor No. 241 Native Daughters of the Golden West and Arrowhead Parlor No. 110 Native Sons of the Golden West, held jointly Wednesday evening, July 10. Mary Grasso, D.G.P. to Lugonia was the installing officer for the Native Daughters and Harold Lord of Arrowhead, installing officer for the Native Sons.

Heading the list of new officers of Arrowhead Parlor is Wayne Lord. Mrs. Iris Du San is the newly elected President of Lugonia Parlor. Her corps of officers include: Dora Segars, Lois Noland, Pauline Cowdrey, Kay Fair, Martha Jean Johnson, Ruby Meadows, Pauline Ireland, Ivy Carr, Oro Riley, Carol Peake, Bertha Heap, Reba Warren, Verna Peake and Lillian Seibel.

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Yerba Buena Parlor Installs

The Native Son's building, 414 Mason Street, San Francisco was the scene of the installation of officers of *Yerba Buena Parlor No. 273 N.D.G.W.* on August 1, 1957. Hydrangeas and dahlias in pink shades were used in the decorating scheme.

General chairman was Hazel Peterson to whom much credit is due her for her outstanding work. Installing officer was Worthy Deputy Grand President, Hilda Mathis of *James Lick Parlor No. 220*. She was presented by Worthy Acting Grand Marshal, Annabelle Gallon, *San Souci Parlor No. 96* and escorted by Connie Warshaw, *Mission Parlor No. 227*.

Sophie Durst was installed as President of the Parlor. Both the president and her escorts carried French bouquets of silver roses and snapdragons. Other members installed in their various offices included Honour Lopez, Hertha Kemp, Lucille Keogan, Marguerite Whitley, Ruthella Ghiotti, Katherine Wren, Anna Hughes, Gertrude La Fortune, Frances Engel, May Deubler, Theresa Beyer, Catherine Landreville, Helen Wilder and Ila Taylor.

Mrs. Anna Dippel, Mother of *Yerba Buena Parlor*, Grand Trustee Josephine Sullivan, *Buena Vista Parlor No. 68*, and Deputy Grand President to *Yerba Buena Parlor*, Katherine Davis of *Golden Gate Parlor No. 158* were honored guests. A musical program was given by Marguerite Ciraulo, accompanied by Etelka Wernicke.

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ANTIOCH INSTALLS

The new officers of *Antioch Parlor No. 223* were installed by D.D.G.P. Vera Loederich of *Stirling Parlor No. 146*, Pittsburg. Olive Johnson was installed the new president. Mrs. Johnson and D.D.G.P. Helen Felt later entertained the officers and the activities of the year were planned.

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ORO FINO PARLOR INSTALLS OFFICERS

One of San Francisco County's outstanding Public Installation of Native Daughters Officers took place in the lovely hall at the Native Daughters Home, when D.G.P. Irene Sprung of *Gabricelle Parlor* and her corps of officers installed the officers-elect of *Oro Fino Parlor No. 9*, N.D.G.W. in a candlelight ceremony. The decorations of gold fans and flowers were beautiful. Each officer-elect carried a lovely fan; Nancy

Conens of *Piedmont Parlor* was the soloist while the young son and daughter of the new President Helen Le Tourneau presented their mother with a bouquet in the shape of a fan.

After installation, having completed her duties as Deputy Grand President, Irene Sprung presented the 1957-58 Deputy Grand President Clarisse C. Meyer of *San Francisco Parlor*.

In the dining room the theme was again carried out in the use of fans. The fan symbolizes love and friendship. This being the home parlor of S.D.D.G.P. Frances A. Simas, many of this year's deputies were in attendance.

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VERDUGO PARLOR INSTALLATION

With "Harmony through Music" as the president's theme for the coming year, *Verdugo Parlor No. 240* of the Native Daughters of the Golden West held formal installation of new officers on Saturday evening, August 31 at the Glendale Masonic Temple.

Mrs. Vance Miller will head the Parlor this year. Other officers installed included Mesdames R. V. Franks, Elizabeth Spurgeon, Ben Young, Lawrence Harris, George Hirst, Myrtle Reid, William Griffing, Joe Del Bane, Milton Culver, James Schornick, Ray Vargas, Myrtle Doyle, Frank Hernandez and Miss Luisa Zanazzi.

By stressing Harmony through Music, Mrs. Miller expects to achieve a full program of philanthropic and social projects throughout the year. *Beverly Hills Parlor No. 289* was the installing parlor, with Mrs. Senaida Sullivan, deputy grand president, as installing officer.

With the re-opening of the school term, *Verdugo Parlor* will resume the presenting of California Bear Flags to the fourth grade classes in the Glendale schools.

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Sign on the outdoor bulletin board of an Eagle Rock church: "This Church Will Do You Good — Like a Good Church Should."



Marshal Connie Warshaw escorts Grace O'Connor, Gladys Baumeister, Dorothea Skeller and Mary O'Hara.


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Grand Presidents Honored At Ball

Honoring Mrs. Irma M. Caton of Oakland, Grand President, N.D.G.W. and Mr. Larry J. Lafleur, Grand President, N.S.G.W., the annual Grand Presidents Ball, given under the auspices of the Inter-Parlor, Southern District, N.S.G.W. and N.D.G.W., will be held Saturday evening, November 23, at the Huntington-Sheraton Hotel, Pasadena.

This ball has become an annual event of the Inter-Parlor, Southern District, affording an opportunity of its members of both Orders and their friends, to jointly pay respect and honor to their Grand Presidents. Of special interest this year, will be the presentation of the winning contestants of the beauty contest for the four girls to ride on the Tournament of Roses Float.

Bob Donohue, of Pasadena Parlor, Native Sons, and Mrs. Blanche Oeschel, of Californiana Parlor, Native Daughters, will co-chairman the gala affair, assisted by members of Inter-Parlor, and the Grand Officers of both Orders from the Southern District. Invitations have been sent to all Los Angeles County Parlors. Admittance to the Ball will be by donations of \$2.00 per person, and should be made to your parlor chairman. Donations will also be accepted at the door. Members residing outside of Los Angeles County desiring to attend, should write to Mrs. Blanche Oeschel, 514 N. Las Palmas Avenue, Los Angeles. The occasion will be semi-formal. A well-known orchestra has been engaged to supply the

music for this outstanding event of the season in Southern California.

All in attendance this year will be contributing to two worthwhile functions: a tribute of honor to the two Grand Presidents, and the support of their state philanthropies. The members of Inter-Parlor, Southern District, voted at their last meeting, that all surplus from the Grand Ball this year be divided evenly and donated to the state philanthropies supported by both Orders.

For those who do not care to dance, card games will be made available.

Jane C. Humphreys

Jane C. Humphreys passed away at Pasadena last July 30. She was the first president of the California Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs. In addition she was the first president of the Los Angeles Business and Professional Women's Club as well as the first head of the Women's Athletic Club of Los Angeles.

Born in Maysville, Kentucky, on June 4, 1869, she came to Santa Ana with her parents when she was five years old. It is recalled that in travelling over the Central Pacific the members of the Humphreys family, as was then the custom, carried all their own food, cooking utensils, bedding and mattresses, and did their cooking with other passengers on a community stove in the center of the train.


The father, C. W. Humphreys, was a pioneer Santa Ana real estate man and served as justice of the peace from 1875 to 1887 and again from 1893 to 1895. After attending the Irving Institute for Young Ladies at San Francisco, Miss Humphreys studied shorthand with Grace Spurgeon. In 1896 she accepted a position with the law office of Isidore C. Dockweiler in Los Angeles at the salary of \$6 a week. It is believed that she was the first woman to engage in such employment in Los Angeles and that her service of 58 years to the Dockweiler legal firm is a feminine record for longest term of employment in the same office in that city.

At the time of her death Miss Humphreys was residing with her grand-niece, Mrs. Edwin Merwin, of San Marino.

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Wild Flower Enthusiast

by Dorothy J. Helm, G.T.

Mrs. Alma Perry, a wild flower enthusiast of Fresno, has been responsible for many poppy blooms during the last few years. When she goes out for a ride she always takes wild flower seeds to scatter along the way at various places. Due to her enthusiasm, many localities were replanted to poppies.

She isn't a native of California but it so deeply interested in the preservation of our natural resources that she grows poppies and other wild flowers in her yard in order to have a large quantity of seed to scatter along the roadways. The seed pods are garnered when ripe and placed in a sheet to dry which is spread between two clothes lines. According to Mrs. Perry, this is the best method to preserve the seed for if the pods are left on the plants, they pop open and the seeds are wasted.

Wild poppy seed should be planted during the fall. They bloom best fifteen to eighteen inches apart. In order to plant them about that far apart, she fills a dishpan full of soil and mixes the seed with the soil before scattering them. Planting them in this way is her own splendid idea and it has been proven that this method of planting them makes sturdy plants with large blossoms.

Mrs. Perry has contributed very much by her generosity to our Golden State in scattering the seeds of the California State flower. It is truly a great inspiration for all Native Daughters to try to help in every way possible to bring back the abundant wild flower life.

Experience is what causes a person to make new mistakes instead of the same old ones.—Cy N. Peace

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FOUNDERS' DAY LUNCHEON

Supervising Deputy Grand President Mildred Gonsalves of Alameda county and her corps of Deputy Grand Presidents sponsored a Founders' Day and Children's Foundation luncheon, September 28 at Spenger's Banquet Hall in Berkeley. Chairman of the affair was Minnie Silva. Committees included Claudia Evans and Dorothy Jordan, ticket sales; Mary Santos, Veronica Giordano and Lorraine Gardner, decorations. D.G.P. Mary Jane Simmons led the flag salute. Speaker for the occasion was Alice D. Shea, Grand Trustee.

Honored guests included Irma M. Caton, Grand President, N.D.G.W.; Edna Williams, Grand Trustee; Sallie R. Thaler, Grand Secretary; Larry Lafleur, Grand President, N.S.G.W.; Mrs. Larry Lafleur and Mrs. Shea.

LINA ELISE GREY

Lina Elise Roth Grey, 74, widow of the popular novelist, Zane Grey, passed away on July 26. A native of New York, she married Grey, then a struggling young writer, in 1905 shortly after her graduation from Hunter College.

The Grey family came to Alameda in 1920 where they built their rambling Spanish home. Mrs. Grey worked at the side of her husband, editing his scribbled manuscripts of the old West. Following his death in 1939, she published fourteen of his books which he had left in manuscript form.

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GENE BISCAILUZ NIGHT

A "Gene Biscailuz Night" at *Ramona* Parlor No. 109, N.S.G.W., 1011 South Alvarado Street, Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, is being arranged for October 25, by Joe Brady, member of *Ramona* Parlor and inspector in the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department of which the honored guest, Biscailuz is head.

A moving picture depicting the life of Sheriff Biscailuz is to be shown. This same film was shown on "This is Your Life" program on television some time ago. Visiting members of all parlors of Native Sons in Southern California are expected. Further details will come officially from *Ramona* Parlor, of which Peter Wucetich is now the president.

Eugene W. Biscailuz has been a member of the Order for over 50 years, having been a former member and secretary of *Los Angeles* Parlor No. 45, and for the past several years a member of *Santa Monica* Bay Parlor No. 267.

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FLAGS PRESENTED

San Gabriel Valley Parlor No. 281, Native Daughters of the Golden West, presented American and California Bear flags to the new branch of the Los Angeles County Juvenile Hall in Hondo at the dedication ceremonies recently.

Mrs. Charles Walsh, chairman of the history and landmarks committee of the Parlor made the presentation. The flags were inspected and plans made at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. J. Vincent LaBerge, Parlor past president and vice chairman of the Los Angeles County Probation Committee and chairman of the Building Committee. Meeting with Mrs. LaBerge were members of the committee: Mmes. Walsh, Blakely, Andrada, Beck, Becker, Brishin, Clark, Golden and Santo. Mrs. Fred Williams heads *San Gabriel Valley* Parlor as president.

DREAM REALIZED

The Women's Center, a dream of long standing for the Ventura County women's organizations, is located on Loma Vista Road in the foothills of Ventura overlooking the Pacific Ocean. The site and a gift of \$100,000 was given to the Women's Center by Mrs. Eleanor Lloyd Dees on behalf of the Lloyd Corporation Ltd. which was founded by Mrs. Dees' father, Ralph B. Lloyd.

The site is part of the original Rancho Ex Mission of San Buenaventura Mission. In 1545 title was granted to Pio Pico, Constitutional Governor of the Department of California, who in turn gave title to Don José De Arnaz in 1846. In 1848 California became United States territory under the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.



Bear Flag Presentation. From left: Parlor President Mrs. Don Preston; Mrs. Eleanor Lloyd Dees; Mrs. Felix Rios, Chairman of Americanism and Civic Participation.

Just a few days previous to the admission of California by an agreement dated August 29, 1850, José De Arnaz sold his property to Dr. Manuel A. Rodriguez de Poli, a pioneer settler of Ventura County. In August, 1874, the United States issued a patent to Dr. Rodriguez de Poli. A survey was made by Ed T. Hare, County Surveyor, in 1875, and recorded in the office of the county recorded in 1882. After this time the property was known as Part of Lot 20 of Subdivision "R" of Rancho

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The Center was dedicated on August 4, 1957. The California Bear Flag, donated by *Poinsettia* Parlor No. 318, was presented by Mrs. Felix Rios, Americanism and Civic Participation chairman, to Mrs. Eleanor Lloyd Dees, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Center.

LILLY O. REICHLING . . .

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set such a ball rolling, I certainly knew enough to give it a good push in the right direction, my elders were firm and carried the day. I didn't go then, but later when I had gained wisdom with years.

My sole ambition now is to do something to help the State as well as to perpetuate the order. Now that things are swinging fairly well, I have been concentrating all my energies on one object. That is trying to make all the girls see what a big benefit it would be if we could buy up all the State's historical landmarks and all the ancient documents and preserve them from vandalism. It seems that such a measure would be of inestimable service to us all.

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CALIFORNIA BEAR FLAG PRESENTATION

Selma Parlor No. 313 N.D.G.W. presented a California Bear Flag to the Wilson Elementary School of Selma. Mrs. Anna Green, president of the Parlor made the presentation to Lowell Hiebert, principal, who accepted the flag on behalf of the school. Mrs. John Schrack is president of the local P.T.A. Mrs. D. Smith, Mrs. G. Middleton, Miss L. Kaus, Mrs. Alice Clapham and Mrs. Green represented the Native Daughters.

TEA FOR PIONEERS

At the annual County Fair of Contra Costa County, pioneers from various sections of the County were guests of Antioch Parlor No. 223, N.D.G.W. at a tea and get-together. Prizes for the senior citizens were given to the eldest lady and gentleman present.

The Parlor also entered a "Centennial Garden" at the fair and won second prize of \$85.

HISTORIANS

California has just lost two important historians. Dr. Robert Glass Cleland, 72, who wrote 11 important books on California, passed away on September 3. A former dean of Occidental College, he was a member of the permanent research staff of Huntington Library at San Marino.

Dr. William Bennett Munro, 82, professor emeritus of history and government at Caltech, died on September 4. He wrote 26 books on governments, politics and the Constitution many of which became standard texts in universities.

CHAPLAIN OF THE YEAR

Major Arthur E. Mills, Protestant Chaplain at Ft. Monroe, Virginia, was presented the 1957 Chaplain of the Year Award by Secretary of the Army Brucker last July 7. He was selected as "best exemplifying the spirit of the four Army chaplains who died heroically when the troop ship *Dorchester* was sunk off Iceland in February, 1943."

A veteran of World War II and of the Korean War, before entering the Army in 1943 Major Mills was pastor of the Advent Christian Church of Tustin, California.

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Guadalupe Mixed Drum Corps won second in this class.

In the Native Daughters drum corps contest the Golden Gators of *Albany* No. 260 were first, *Mission* No. 227, second; and *San Francisco*, third. The Native Daughters junior drill teams also held a spirited competition with *Las Amiguitas* Suburbanettes first, the *Argonaut* Cubs second, *San Francisco* No. 6, third, and *Fruitvale* No. 22, fourth.

Parade

The two and a half hour parade, which featured Admission Day, was witnessed by an estimated 200,000 spectators. More than 125 parading units participated in the colorful spectacle.

In this event *Piedmont* Parlor No. 120, was awarded first prize for the Largest Number in Line of March as well as in the Best Appearing class, in the Native Sons entries; *Fruitvale* No. 252 was second. *Fairfax* No. 307 was third in Best Appearing. Among other Native Sons participants *1st National* No. 118 was first with the Best Decorated Auto, *Petaluma* No. 27 first with the Best Theme Portrayal while *Oakland* No. 2 garnered top honors for the Best Decorated Banner Carriage.

Sweepstakes Award went to the combined units of *Hayward* No. 122, N.D.G.W. and *Eden* No. 113, N.S. G.W. In other combined units entries *Guadalupe* No. 153, N.D.G.W. and *Guadalupe* No. 231, N.S.G.W. were first for Largest Number in Line of March, while *Hayward* and *Eden* Parlors were first in the Best Appearing class.

Among the Native Daughters entries, *Piedmont* No. 87 and *Fruitvale* No. 177 won first and second respectively in both Largest Number in Line of March and Best Appearing class. *Bonita* No. 10 was adjudged first for Best Decorated Auto and *Vallejo* No. 195 gained top honors for Best Theme Portrayal. In the Appearance Class for Junior Units, *Las Amiguitas* was first and the *Argonaut* Cubs second.

Native Sons' floats gained all three awards, *Fruitvale* No. 252 being first, *Napa* No. 62, second; and *Piedmont* No. 120, third.

It is said that MONEY is what things run into, and people run out of.

TOURNAMENT . . .

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The recruiting of volunteer workers to decorate is in progress. Members, husbands, wives, and friends of both Orders are urged to volunteer their services, and are requested to immediately send their names and addresses to Dorothy Fansler, 1032 W. Chandler, Wilmington, California, who is in charge of the recruitment of workers. A time schedule for workers is being set up in order to have workers available during the day and night of the last three days before the parade, at which time the floats will be decorated with fresh flowers.

Contributions for Float

Contributions from all Native Daughters, either by Parlor or individuals, should be sent to Florence M. Grass, state chairman, 3452 W. 59th Place, Los Angeles 43.

ELECTRICITY . . .

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000,000 of which Atomic International is making a contribution of \$2,500,000. Edison's investment in generating equipment will exceed \$1,000,000.

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LIBRARY . . .

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ber, read the history of the Bear Flag, Presentation of this flag was made by Mrs. Irma M. Caton, Grand President, N.D.G.W.

Mrs. Edna Williams, Grand Trustee, and Mrs. Charlotte Beckett were included in the guests at the ceremony.

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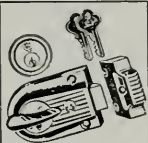
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ANGEL MODEL

Jo Ann Brobst, 22, of Piedmont, has been selected to model for Mexico's new Statue of Liberty. President Adolfo Ruiz Cortines commissioned Mexican sculptor José Fernandez Urbina to replace the gilded angel which had fallen in the July 28 earthquake.

One of Urbina's aides observed Miss Brobst in Mexico City where she was appearing as a member of the Athens Club Synchronized Swimming Team of Oakland.

HALLOWE'EN JAMBOREE

Members of *El Aliso* Parlor No. 314 of Santa Paula, are making plans for a fun night which will be similar to a Halloween carnival. Members, their families and friends will enjoy a "Hallowe'en Jamboree."

HOOVER INSTITUTION

The great library founded by Herbert Hoover and situated at Stanford University, has been renamed "The Hoover Institution on War, Revolution, and Peace." Formerly it was known as the "Hoover Institute and Library on War, Revolution, and Peace."

Hoover, who was present when the university board made the name change, observed that the new title was chosen to give greater emphasis to the dynamic character of the work being done at the Institution. He pointed out that the Institution is not a mere collection of 20,000,000 items relating to the 20th Century, but its purpose is to make the experiences of these years an effective guidance for the future.

The Institution was founded during World War I when Hoover headed the program to bring relief to distressed European peoples. It was first called the "Hoover Collection" and later the "Hoover War Library."

THIEVERY

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Don't worry boy. I haven't lost one since Mrs Wichem and even then I saved two.

And John looked at the doctor and for the first time he saw how old he was. It was as if he had never seen him before. His nose was sharp as the arrow flints found in the hills back of the town. His mustache was yellow and white. It stuck straight out from his face as if the doctor had broken the handle off his toothbrush and glued the bristles to his lip.

Holy Smoke, John thought, I hope he isn't too old, and he went on biting his finger nails and the doctor

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went in and out of the room and his face was getting as red as the middle of summer. And Mother had everything ready and moved around like a fairy and every time she passed John she took his hand and patted it and said, Don't worry my lamb don't worry. But the way Hattie cried out cut into John and he felt it more in his stomach than any other place and he lived an hour into every minute.

And John thought, Oh why does a baby have to be born like this why couldn't it come down the chimney like babies did when I was a boy.

Then the doctor came out of the room.

It's all over, he said. You're a father. He took off his glasses and held them up to the lamp.

Oh Gosh, John said.

It's a boy, the doctor said.

He went on wiping his glasses.

Oh Gosh, John said. He held onto a chair.

Then he went into the bedroom walking high on his tiptoes.

Hattie smiled at him.

He bent low and kissed her.

He heard crying close to his ears.

The two tight little fists like tendrils of a growing vine reached out.

And Hattie was more tired than the earth turning a billion years.

Now we're a family dear, she said.

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And it was early in the morning on Christmas Day.

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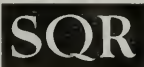
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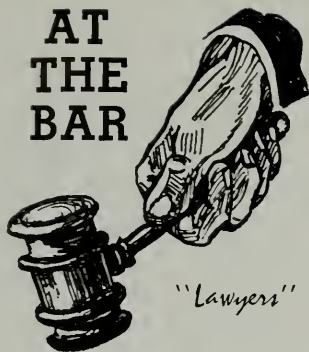
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AT THE BAR



Richard C. Barry, pioneer justice of the peace of Sonora, had little patience with any attorney who questioned his rulings. On one occasion he heard a case in which one gambler sued another for \$3000 "won at Kears."

In his docket Barry wrote: "After much swearing one way and another the lawyers H. P. Barber and Leander Quint argued the case which after a long while they got through with. I decided that Barber was rite whereupon Quint said pleas your honor I never can git justice in your coort putting out his finger and thum. I told him the likes of him in my country often lost their fingers steeling corn or chickens and that if

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NOVEMBER IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

San José de Guadalupe, first pueblo or "city" in California was founded on November 29, 1777.

The first provincial legislature in California was elected and installed at Monterey on November 9, 1822.

Jedediah Strong Smith, with a group of trappers reached Misión San Gabriel on November 27, 1826. He was the first white man to arrive in California overland from eastern United States.

The first commercial shipment of gold was made by Abel Stearns to Alfred Robinson on November 22, 1842. It consisted of 20 ounces of placer gold found in Placerita Canyon near Newhall. It was to be forwarded to the Philadelphia mint.

The first steamship in California waters, the *Sitka*, made its trial run in San Francisco Bay, November 17, 1847.

The first regular post office of the United States Post Office Department in California was established in San Francisco, November 9, 1848.

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Blue Gum (*Eucalyptus Globulus*) planted at Rancho Santa Anita, now the Los Angeles State and County Arboretum, in 1863 by William Wolfskill. It is approximately 185 feet tall.

California's Adopted Son

by Leo F. Friis

THE EUCALYPTUS is such a familiar tree in California that many people mistakenly assume that it is a native of this State. Indeed, it has been here for a long time as it celebrated its Pacific Coast centennial in 1956. It possesses a certain quality that adds a picturesqueness to the California landscape. Through the years it has proven itself to have some commercial value, but far less than was claimed for it a half century ago when it was scandalously exploited.

To William C. Walker goes the credit of introducing the tree to California. In 1856 he planted fourteen varieties of eucalyptus seeds in his Golden Gate Nursery at Fourth and Folsom Streets in San Francisco. These seeds had come from their homeland of Australia.

Seven years later the Rev. William Taylor was conducting missionary services in Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand. Attracted by the eucalyptus, he sent a package of its seeds to his wife who was then

living in Alameda. Mrs. Taylor, an ardent gardener, grew a quantity of seedlings in her greenhouse. From this start she and James T. Stratton, later Surveyor-General of California, gave away and sold many thousands of small trees.

The service of "Father" Taylor in sending these seeds was only one of his many contributions to California. A Forty-Niner, he and Rev. Isaac Owen were the first Methodist preachers to be sent here by their church. He once wrote that he worked "in building, digging, and doing whatever else was necessary for a living in the land to which we have been sent to labor for God." "California" Taylor was well known for his street preaching in San Francisco. In 1884 his church made him Missionary Bishop to Africa. He once wrote, "The Lord has lavished more beauty on California than upon any spot I have ever seen." No doubt he visualized the eucalyptus as a friendly settler in the State and for that reason sent the seeds to his wife.

By 1870 the eucalyptus had become popular for firewood and some 170,000 trees were planted near Hayward. Many medicinal properties were claimed for the tree. Great quantities were grown along railroad tracks in the vain hope that they would prove satisfactory for railroad ties. Southern California citrus growers found them a valuable protection against severe Santa Ana winds.

At the turn of the century considerable concern was expressed about the depletion of hardwood forests in the United States. What was the solution? Some government enthusiast made a special study of the eucalyptus and in 1904 a bulletin was issued suggesting that the eucalyptus was a possible source of hardwood. This was all that was needed to touch off a "boom."

Four hundred acres were planted to eucalyptus near El Toro. These trees never proved to be very profitable, but they did furnish an important need in 1953. In that year the Boy Scout National Jamboree was held near Newport Beach. Large quantities of tent poles had been sent from the East, which upon examination by the county agricultural inspector were found to be in-

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HOLD UP!

by Frances Heathman

Illustrated by Edward J. Pugh

EARLY SATURDAY afternoon, on April 28, 1888, the Lakeport and Cloverdale stage was speeding along Jasper Road, about four miles from Cloverdale. Suddenly two men, wearing black masks and brandishing weapons, dashed onto the highway. Quickly the stage driver, E. Beggs, brought his horses to a halt. No shots were fired and no one was hurt. Only the Wells Fargo strong box was taken. According to Beggs the robbers were armed with Navy-type Colt six-shooters, derringers and a musket.

When Abe Crigler, the Cloverdale constable, learned of the hold-up he sought out Sam Allen who was known for his skill with a rifle. These two men started out in search of the highwaymen. Crigler was armed with a six-gun and Allen with his favorite 44 Winchester rifle. Finding the robbers' trail, the two men followed it until they came to a large rock, locally called "Profile Rock," now known as "Robber's Rock."

Here they came upon the outlaws sitting under a tree, presumably checking the loot. When the men espied Allen and Crigler they quickly climbed up near the edge of the steep rocky precipice and took refuge behind the rocks. Allen cautioned Crigler not to get too close to the robbers. The constable expressed his belief that the men would show little resistance, and would give up easily. The officers moved closer.

Crigler shouted to the men to throw up their hands. Instead the robbers fired and the constable fell dead, shot through the heart. Perceiving that one of the outlaws was moving his revolver toward him, Allen ordered both men to throw down their guns. One complied. The other fired at Allen, but missed. Allen returned fire at this man and saw him fall backwards and disappear.

Swiftly the other robber picked up his weapon that he had recently dropped and fired at Allen and missed. He then started scrambling down the side of the cliff.

Allen levered another cartridge into his rifle and fired at the man. Because of the darkness of the evening he was unable to tell if he had hit him. A total of five shots had been fired in the gun fight which occurred at approximately six o'clock in the evening, at a distance of about ten yards.

Allen returned to town with the body of Crigler. The public was thoroughly aroused and early on the following morning a large group of volunteers started in search of the escaped robber. Upon arrival at Profile Rock, men were lowered by ropes to the bottom of the precipice. Reaching the base of the cliff they found the body of the first outlaw that had fired at Allen. A rifle ball had entered the man's eye and had passed through his head. Death had been instantaneous.

Searching about the area blood was observed on rocks and bushes. Obviously Allen had also hit his last target. Following the robber's trail the searching party found a blood covered spot where the fugitive had spent the night. Because of the time spent in bringing the body of the dead robber back up the face of cliff, no attempt was made that day to follow the trail of the wounded outlaw.

Word of the killing of the constable spread quickly and everyone

was warned to be on the lookout for a man fitting the description that Allen had given of the wounded robber. In the early evening of April 30, A. Seavey observed a young man walking down the railroad track with his arm in a sling. He was headed in the direction of Petaluma. Seavey noted the resemblance of the man to the description given of the robber and with the aid of E. Hart and M. Paulson he stopped the young man who readily gave himself up. He was taken to Santa Rosa to a doctor and law officers.

The captured man was a German who could speak no English. Jailor Breilenback was engaged as interpreter. Through him it was learned that the wounded man was Joseph Frey, who had recently come from Silesia, Germany. The slain bandit was his sister's husband, Eugene Presus, who had come to California with the hope of making "big money." Frey, himself, had been employed at Englebrecht's Restaurant on Kearny Street in San Francisco. When he lost his job he and Presus came northward and spent several days in studying the territory to determine the best place to stage a holdup.

Frey was charged with murder and Justice of the Peace Brown conducted the preliminary hearing in the sheriff's office at Santa Rosa. The doctor attending Frey expressed his concern that "complications might set in" and that the robber might not live through a trial. The bed-ridden defendant was carried into the middle of the court room and the hearing commenced.

State driver Beggs stated that he was unable to say whether he had ever seen Frey before because the robbers who held him up had worn masks. However, he was able to identify the masks as well as the weapons the highwaymen had used.

• About the Author

Mrs. Frances Heathman, a member of Orinda Parlor No. 56, is a niece of Sam Allen, the hero of the story.



Sam Allen was then sworn as a witness. He retold the account of the shooting and positively identified Frey as being one of the men in the gun fight.

In his testimony Frey told substantially the same story as Allen did, admitting that he picked up the six-gun that he had dropped at the time Allen had ordered him and Presus to throw down their weapons. However, he steadfastly denied having fired at Allen, claiming that he had only tried to get away down the cliff. With other testimony the hearing was concluded and Justice Brown announced that the testimony was sufficient to show that the murder had been committed and that Frey was guilty thereof. There-

upon he ordered the defendant held to answer to the Superior Court.

Frey was duly tried and convicted of murder in the second degree before Judge Pressley on August 30, 1888. He was sentenced to twenty-five years in the State prison at San Quentin. Perhaps the fact that he was a young man in his early twenties persuaded the jury to fix his guilt in the lesser degree.

Several years later he applied for a parole. His petition created much controversy. Many residents of Cloverdale signed papers requesting the governor to keep Frey in prison. For some unaccountable reason a garbled account of the facts of the case became widespread and many influential people of San Francisco, in-

cluding Wells Fargo agent Thacker (who had appeared in the original investigation of the case) asked the governor to release the prisoner. Frey was pardoned sometime in 1903.

What about Crigler's widow? It is stated that Wells Fargo & Co. had sent her a check for \$300 and a similar sum to Sam Allen. In addition, on May 5, 1888, the express company presented Allen with a handsome 32-20 caliber Winchester rifle and 500 rounds of ammunition as a mark of appreciation for his bravery in confronting and shooting the stage robbers. The rifle was a handsome one and on the side plate was the inscription, "Sam G. Allen from Wells Fargo & Company, April 28, 1888."

TOURNAMENT OF ROSES . . . FLOAT DESIGN SELECTED

by Florence M. Grass

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"Sneak Preview"

You are invited again to a "sneak preview" of the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West Tournament of Roses Float, "Dreamers All," from the photograph of the float sketch, and with the kind assistance of Doc Hastain of Miller Bros. and Hastain, Inc., our float builder, the detailed description will help you visualize our float when completed and ready to move down the parade route on January 1, 1958.

The length of the float will be 40 feet, its width 20 feet and the height of its statues, 10 feet. The three statues will be covered with approximately 50,000 white stock blossoms. The clusters of stock blossoms will have to be separated, using single blossoms, and on faces and hands individual stock petals will be used in order to give the smooth appearance of stone carved statues.

Approximately 10,000 yellow chrysanthemums will be used to cover the sunbursts on which the statues will stand. The balance of the float will be covered with two to three thousand red roses. It will take 15,000 white chrysanthemums to cover the sides or apron of the float. The lettering will be done in red poinsettia leaves, thus making a flower color combination of red, white and yellow.

The four girls riding on the float will be dressed in the same color of

attention is called to the urgent need for volunteer workers.

Judging

Floats will be judged for prizes by judges who have no connection with the Tournament of Roses Association nor with any participants in the parade. Judging will commence at noon on December 30 and continue until 8:30 a.m. on January 1 when final decisions will be made.

All persons riding on the floats are requested to be available during the final judging between 7:00 and 8:30 a.m. on New Year's Day so that the judges can see the floats exactly as they appear going down the parade route.

Judges base their decisions on the following points: (1) General overall beauty; (2) Excellence of design and execution of theme; (3) Originality; and (4) Use of flowers and color harmony. The judges also take into consideration the freshness of the flowers, the costumes of the participants, the workmanship and attention given to minor details and the finished appearance of aprons and rear of float. Only one award is made to an entry.

Awards

Class C—Fraternal, Patriotic and Musical Organizations, is the competitive class which the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West are entered. First, Second and Third prizes are awarded in all competitive classes. In all, there will be 60 floats competing in 28 competitive classes.

The other awards for which Class C is eligible to compete for are: *Successes*, for the most beautiful entry in the parade; *Theme Prize*, for the float most fittingly presenting theme of the parade; *Queen's Trophy*, for most effective use of roses in float decoration; *Governor's Trophy*, for float which best characterizes the romance of California; and *Judges' Special*, for exceptional merit.

Appeal for Workers

More volunteer workers are needed to help decorate. Members, husbands, wives and friends of both Orders are again urged to volunteer their services and are requested to immediately

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"Sneak Preview" of N.S.G.W. and N.D.G.W. 1958 Float.

The float is divided into three parts: First, *Religion* to a new country; Second, *Finance* to make the country grow; as you know, it was the Gold Rush of 1848 that placed California in the eyes of the world; and Third, *Science and Development* for a continued development to keep our country ahead of the rest of the world.

blue, but will wear costumes of the same era of which the statue represents near which each is posed. Thus, the girl near the Padre will be in Spanish dress, the one near the Pioneer in pioneer costume and the two girls beside the Jet Pilot will wear modern blouses and skirts.

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The Grand President's Corner

Greetings from Irma M. Caton

Has your Recording Secretary read the circular letters sent out by your State Chairman, and turned them over to your Parlor Chairman, so she will know what her program for the year will be?



IRMA M. CATON

State Chairman of Welfare and Philanthropy, Wealthy Falk, asks us to strive to lend aid and assistance where needed, so we may continue to be recognized for our many deeds of kindness and helpfulness. Our Grand Organist Mildred S. Kearney tells us that "Music Hath Charms" and we should use it to draw our members closer to our Parlors. Josephine Witt, State Chairman of Americanism asks us to participate in community activities and promote better citizenship, and Anne Scharer, Veterans Welfare Chairman suggests that we plan now to see our veterans in hospitals have a wonderful Holiday Season.

Florence Grass, State Chairman of the Tournament of Roses Float Parade, tells us the theme for the parade this year will be "Day Dreams in Flowers." I trust you have sent in your 10c per member voluntary contribution. The week of October 6-12 was Fire Prevention Week and your State Chairman Francesca Anderhalden has urged you to appoint a

committee in your Parlor and to practice safety in your every day living.

Many other very fine letters have been sent to Parlors and the one most important at this time is the circular from Past Grand President Grace S. Stoermer, State Chairman of the *California Herald* Magazine Committee. Has your Parlor sent in your subscription list? Remember, at Grand Parlor your delegates voted to again endorse the magazine as our official publication and for 21c per month you can receive this magazine. I am sure you will gain much valuable knowledge of the history of California by reading the many interesting articles appearing therein. Send in your new subscription list immediately so that you will continue to get your *California Herald*.

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ORINDA PARLOR'S BIRTHDAY

Sixty-seven years ago *Orinda* Parlor No. 56, N.D.G.W. was instituted in San Francisco, and the members recently celebrated the anniversary of this event at a dinner held at Grant's Charcoal Broiler.

The tables were colorfully decorated with red Garnet roses and at each place was an individual birthday cake holding one red candle. At an appropriate time the lights were dimmed, the candles lighted, and the members, holding their lighted cakes high, toasted the Parlor with a "Happy Birthday" song.

Although sixty-seven years old, *Orinda* Parlor is proud to honor three charter members — Sisters Kate Jewell, Hannah Peterson and Josie Rossic. Sister Josie attends all meetings and was the only charter member able to be present for this celebration.

Other honored guests were Past Grand Presidents Orinda G. Gianini, who was named after the Parlor and is a member, and Mrs. Claire Lindsey of *Golden Gate* Parlor; Mrs. Cleto Galli, President; and Deputy Grand Presidents Miss Ann Benda-toff of *Buena Vista* Parlor and Mrs. Harold C. King of *Orinda* Parlor.

Mrs. Wallace O'Connell and Miss Pearl Upton were co-chairmen for this occasion. Mrs. Francis Ralph assisted with the program.

• PICTURE ON COVER

Queen Anne's Cottage built for E. J. "Lucky" Baldwin in 1881 in what is now the Los Angeles State and County Arboretum.

Mildred Schilling, Supervising Deputy Grand President of Alameda and part of Contra Costa Counties will be honored by *Hayward* Parlor No. 122, at a tea on November 17 from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. at the Alameda County Court House, Winton Road, Hayward. Grand Presidents Irma M. Caton, N.D.G.W. and Larry Lafleur, N.S.G.W., Grand Secretary Sallie R. Thaler, Grand Trustee Edna Williams, Elbridge Russell, Supervising Deputy Grand President for Alameda County, as well as all Deputy Grand Presidents N.D.G.W. of Alameda County will be on hand to honor Sister Schilling. Musical entertainment will be provided during the reception. Mrs. Minnie Silva is chairman of the affair.

Burke Speaks on Admission Day

The Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West launched their celebration of California's 107th birthday with a banquet at Oakland's Leamington Hotel.

To an audience of more than 500, Lloyd H. Burke, United States Attorney for Northern California and a member of *Fruitvale* Parlor No. 252, N.S.G.W., delivered the following inspiring address:

"To others the date September 9th is just another day to be recorded in history only as it may be associated with events of current or past significance. To the Native Sons of the Golden West and the Native Daughters of the Golden West it is possessed of unique and special quality. It is the occasion of our annual commemoration of an event which looms large in the record of America's ever increasing growth and movement toward a civilization unmatched in the annals of world history.

"The event was, of course, the admission of California as the 31st state in the Union of September 9, 1850. Citizens of the United States are understandably proud of their status as Americans. We Californians share that pride with additional emotion arising out of the knowledge that our State and its residents have, during the more than 100 years following statehood, contributed much to the power and prestige which have made America great.

"California, a thousand miles long and up to 375 miles wide, is the second largest state in terms of area. Within sight of one another in California are both the highest and lowest points of elevation in the continental United States — Mt. Whitney and Death Valley. We rank first in agricultural production and

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Faithful Worker Saluted

A young lad in Slidberybrae in the Scottish lowlands plowed the straightest furrow and won a contest and a gold watch with a key to wind it. The young plowman, William A. Birss came to California and settled on a ranch in Goleta Valley. On Sep-



Top left: Sylvia Griffiths receives Gold Feather Award; from left: Dr. John Rathbone, Mrs. Griffiths, Mrs. Frank Perry and Arnold Jacquemain. Lower left: Jack Cleland receiving check from Mrs. H. R. Lonberger and Mrs. Alice Brooks. Lower right: Floyd H. Burke delivering Admission Day address.

tember 24, 1957, his daughter, Sylvia Birss Griffiths, was given the Gold Feather Award of the Santa Barbara Community Chest and its 14 Red Feather Agencies.

Her community service started in 1927 when she joined the division of *Reina del Mar* parlor, N.D.G.W. as a volunteer solicitor in the brickyard district in the west part of town. That was 30 years ago and she has helped in every chest campaign since.

Some of the other offices held by Mrs. Griffiths cited by Mrs. Frank Perry at the annual awards luncheon included board member of the chest, a director of Family Service agency, past president of *Reina del Mar* Parlor, and treasurer of the Santa Barbara Historical Society; she has also worked in the Red Cross and Girl Scouts.

Parlor Presents Check

Compton Parlor No. 258, N.D.G.W., earned the signal honor of being the first organization in Compton to contribute to the "Heritage House Century Club" when a group headed by Alice Brooks, president, and Mrs. H. R. Lonberger, Civic Participation chairman, presented a check for \$100 to Jack Cleland, the Heritage House coordinator.

This civic enterprise will preserve Compton's early Sophie Gaines cottage in a new park site which will be dedicated to preserving the city's "heritage."

Other members of the Parlor active in the project are Mrs. Kate Glavinic and Mrs. Eva Rice.

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How I Organized The N. D. G. W.

by
Lilly O. Reichling



AT THE LAST Grand Parlor I presented a resolution that ought to assist us very materially in this line of work. I will quote it exactly:

We report favorably on resolution introduced by Lilly O. Reichling relating to historical landmarks, etc.:

Whereas, It is apparent that many historical landmarks in the State of California are falling into decay, suffering at the hands of vandals or giving way to the march of "improvement"; and whereas, it is believed that many relics and documents of historical value exist which are held in light appreciation by their possessors; and whereas, it is the sense of this Grand Parlor that such landmarks, when practicable, should be preserved and their historical value made public, and that the relics, documents and other scattered articles of historical value should be gathered and preserved for the benefit of the State and its people, and as it is a just and becoming task for a patriotic organization like the Native Daughters of the Golden West to undertake the work of searching for, preserving and perpetuating such landmarks and gathering together all such historical documents and relics as are not already set apart in the archives of the State or in museums or other repositories accessible to the public; therefore be it

Resolved, That preliminary to the work of such preservation and col-

lection the Grand President is hereby authorized to appoint a general committee of not less than three, which committee shall proceed at once, upon its appointment, to communicate with the subordinate parlors with a view to securing information concerning the location, character, ownership, condition and value of such articles or landmarks above mentioned; and be it further

Resolved, That the general committee herein provided for shall submit to the next Grand Parlor a plan for utilizing the information it may acquire; and be it further

Resolved, That the Grand Parlor recognizes the value of the historical research carried on by various persons and societies, and that it is at all times willing to co-operate with such societies and individuals; and it is hereby ordered that copies of these resolutions be sent to all known organizations of this character and to the press, the co-operation and support of which is earnestly desired and requested.

LILLY O. REICHLING,
BELLE W. CONRAD,
ELIZA D. KEITH.

The task looks too large to some of us and our funds are too low to enable us to buy many of the valuable relics, but I do know of one way that our traditions, at least, could be kept fresh and new.

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early days and have them printed and introduced into our public schools as readers, it would do more to keep the memory of early California alive than anything that I can now think of. At the same time the expense would be comparatively little, and one of our chief objects obtained.

You know, one of our main principles is patriotism, that and the desire to be of some help to those people who need assistance, and there are plenty of them in this old world of ours.

Our new president asked us to take for our motto "Do right." She furthermore told us that "Words are little things, but they strike hard. We utter them so easily that we are apt to forget their hidden power." She urgently asked us to follow her rule. Women are prone to find out that power and use it as they see fit, and it is not always in the best and wisest way.

Our order is a beneficiary one, but we have not been able to pay all the benefits that we would like to. This coming year the subordinate parlors will debate on how it will be possible to have a uniform funeral expense throughout the State. It has already been proposed to tax every member 10 cents, which will permit of paying \$75 toward each funeral. This will in no wise interfere with the regular sums paid by individual parlors. In that way every one will be aided and at such a time there is always plenty of use for money. It is often a Godsend to some of us.

The small tax of 10 cents will bring in fully \$450, and as soon as the amount falls below \$300 the same sum will be levied again. Last year there were only twenty-five deaths, so you see the sum demanded from the individual members would be very small. We feel that every one of us can cheerfully afford to help those who need it, for none of us know when it will be our own turn.

When any significant movement has been on foot that will aid the State we try to be the first to offer our hearty co-operation. If we can always be the first in the field to do good I shall feel that my part of the work has not been in vain, and I shall be entirely pleased and satisfied with it.

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PRESIDENT TO BE HONORED

Irma M. Caton, Grand President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West will be honored by the San Francisco Deputy Grand Presidents and their supervisor, Frances Simas, at a tea and reception Saturday, November 9 in the Palace of Legion of Honor, San Francisco. Chairman of the affair is D.G.P. Dolores Kikke.

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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA PIONEER HONORED

"Pop" Oliver, born Louis Olvera in Sonora in the days of feverish activity on the Mother Lode, celebrated his birthday, August 15, being 102 years old. His parents were Castilian Spaniards who came to California by way of El Camino Real in the days of the grantees. The family later Americanized its name to "Oliver." Louis Oliver early worked as a vaquero on the vast Spanish land grants of the San Joaquin Valley. He has lived in many places in Northern California including San Jose, San Francisco, Tiburon, Corte Madera and Oakhurst.

JUNIOR UNIT ENTERTAINS

Members of *Fruitvale* Junior Unit No. 22 entertained their mother parlor *Fruitvale* No. 177, N.D.G.W. Forty-four of the seniors were honored. At the head table were Florence Eshom, president of *Fruitvale* No. 177; Deputy Minnie Silva, *Hay-*

ward Parlor No. 122; Dorothy Jordan, *Bahai Vista* Parlor No. 167 and Supervising District Deputy Grand President Mildred Gonsalves, *Hayward* Parlor. Dolores Grosse and Mary Jane Simmon, former charter members were also honored.

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P. G. P. HONORED

P.G.P. Evelyn I. Carlson was recently honored by Past Presidents Association No. 1, N.D.G.W. of San Francisco. The lovely party was held in observance of her 25th anniversary as Grand President of N.D.G.W.

Following the business session, a supper was served at tables decorated with 25 year numerals and silver favors. A large cake congratulating the honored guest and other delicious refreshments were served to the 75 guests, following which a monetary gift of silver dollars and other remembrances were presented the guest of honor. Miss Elaine Peterson of *El Vesperto* Parlor No. 118 was in charge of arrangements.

PARLOR OBSERVES FOUNDING

Aleli Parlor No. 102, N.D.G.W., Salinas, observed Founder's Day by exemplifying the original ritual of the Order, which was written by Judge Lindsey, a Native Son. This ritual was used for 12 years, or until the present ritual was adopted.

Exemplification was by Past Presidents of the Parlor wearing dresses of long ago. The oldest and most interesting dress was worn by Mrs. Carmen Nardone, supervising district deputy grand president of District 30, who served as marshal for the ceremonies. Of black silk and lace, it was one of 18 silk dresses in the trousseau of Mrs. Andrew Branch, who, in 1852, traveled with her husband from New York to California via the Isthmus of Panama. The Branchs settled in Tuolumne county and subsequently moved to Salinas where they purchased and operated the Salinas Hotel, corner of Market and Main Street. Oldtimers recall that on Sundays and special occasions they dined at this hotel and enjoyed a full course dinner for 25c. The hotel passed to the couple's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Lauritzen, who were the parents of Mrs. Jessie Parker of *Aleli* Parlor.

Mrs. Anna Black, soloist for the evening, wore a bustle-back brown and beige satin gown of 1880. Other dresses were of more recent years, the most popular style being of the 1890's.

Participating in the Founder's Day program were charter members Mrs. Effie Joy and Miss Nathalie Clark. Also Mesdames Ila Anderson, Ella Fahey, Anna Black, Lillian Brindero, Jessie Fisher, Louise Hatton, Lois Koue, Louise Little, Vera Lyons, Carmen Nardone, Gertrude Posz, Annie Riley, Helen Tubbs, and Misses Pauline Holm and Rose Rhyner. Mrs. Jean Snyder was organist for the ceremony.

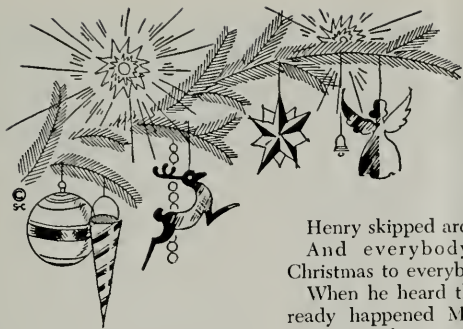
PATIO PICNIC SUPPER

La Junta Parlor No. 203, St. Helena, recently celebrated its forty-fourth anniversary at its annual potluck picnic supper. The seven living charter members were all present for the celebration. The affair was held in the patio at the home of Louise and Martha Klubescheidt.

Guest on beach of Florida hotel holding a couch shell to his ear: "All I hear is a voice saying '\$40 a day'."



Aleli Parlor celebrates birthday. Top left: Two charter members, Miss Nathalie Clark and Mrs. Effie Joy. Top right: Mrs. Anna Black in a bustle-back gown of 1880. Lower left: Mrs. Carmen Nardone, S.D.D.G.P., wearing a silk dress of 1852. Lower right: The seven charter members of *La Junta* Parlor. From left: Esther Thompson, Wilna Mitchell, Louise Klubescheidt, Martha Klubescheidt, Celeste Throsen, Inez Supple and May Mielenz. Ann Arminino, seated in the center is parlor president this year.



The Sparrow



and Canary



by Louis Danz

PART XXVII

ABOUT NOON that day Hattie's father and mother came in the big sleigh. They were dressed for everything on a Christmas or a Sunday. Their clothes were as crisp as fresh lettuce. Mr. Peters' bushy hair was parted in the middle and pasted down like two potato patties. Tiny icicles hung from his mustache.

Henry skipped around like a frog. And everybody said Merry Christmas to everybody.

When he heard the baby had already happened Mr. Peters' smile spread as far as it could without running off his face. He walked through the house like a boy following a band. Mrs. Peters' face was a lighted lamp.

They went into the bedroom. The window shades were pulled down part way.

Half-closed eyelids.

Then later Uncle Dan came in with his beard trimmed liked U. S. Grant.

And they all stood around the bed.

Hattie's eyes were diamonds.

Uncle Dan looked as if he was trying to hide his feeling and he looked at Hattie and John as if he were the father of both instead of neither.

And John's mother went about doing the things she remembered her mother had done for her when she was like Hattie was now.

John fussed around the room.

Mr. Peters watched him for a time then he said, "My boy, you're as excited as a bob in the water with a fish on the hook," and Hattie said "How are the horses, Pa," and she spoke their names as if they were children. Maizy and Beth she called them and she asked about everything on the farm about how deep was the snow and how were the cattle.

Mr. Peters held her hand.

A little later Mrs. Schultz came with her boxes of cakes and bags of cookies and she shook her curls at Uncle Dan and said, "Good morning Danny."

Syrup dripped from each word.

John's mother smiled. But it was like a smile from a sick bed. John knew she was so happy about the baby but so sad about Father.

He heard her tell Uncle Dan all about last night. She told him she could never go back to her own home.

But you did right, Uncle Dan said. "Some day Walt will see the handwriting on the wall."

"He's a good man," Mother said.

"Of course he is," Uncle Dan said. "But he can't see the badness in too much goodness."

Then Mrs. Peters went to the kitchen to start dinner and Mr. Peters called out, "Come on John, come on Henry, help me," and they went out to the sleigh and it was filled with everything for Christmas dinner with a lot left over and under one seat John saw Mr. Peters' jug. It was covered with an old potato sack.

Mr. Peters winked at John.

"I brought the biggest turkey on the farm," he said.

About four o'clock what everyone had waited for was over.

Some sighed. Some groaned.

Then almost everybody in town came to see the baby.

And it was Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas all over again.

The house was full of talking.

And when they saw the baby they said, "How big his eyes are," and they said, "Oh the little darling and what are you going to call him." And they said, "When will you baptize him," and Henry asked, "Will they soak him in water Mama?"

"It's just the way it was when my little lamb was born," John mother said in a low voice and she said is over again many times.

"He might be president some day," the men said.

They all had new hair cuts.

It made their ears too big.

John knew that Jeff the barber must have done a big Christmas business.

And when the newspaper man came rushing in his arms were swinging and his head was stretched out like a boy's balloon on the end of a string with the wind blowing.

"By Gad," he said, "why couldn't this have happened on my printing day," and Mr. Peters looked around for the spittoon and there wasn't any and he shook his head. I guess I'm old fashioned," he said and the rest of the afternoon flew by like a bird.

The shadows stretched out like long pencil marks.

More people came and went away.

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The extension of the Order is of highest importance to Dina J. Ball because she believes it one of our most effective ways to preserve our heritage. She therefore considered it an honored privilege to be appointed to organize a new Parlor in Mount Shasta, Siskiyou County. Her diligent and relentless efforts resulted in the institution of *Siskiyou* Parlor No. 319 on November 10, 1956. Other Grand Parlor appointments were to the Safety Committee and to the Radio and Television Committee. Last year she held the position of Grand Inside Sentinel.



DINA J. BALL

Dina Ball is proud that Jackson, Amador County, the town where the Order was organized, is also her birthplace. However, she attended the local schools in Mount Shasta, Siskiyou County. There she also studied voice under Madame Fisher and was prominent in musical activities and dramatics.

Mr. Ball's appointment as lumber sales manager necessitated that his family leave Mount Shasta and establish itself in Anderson, Shasta County, where Dina became a member of *Camellia* Parlor No. 41, N.D.G.W. Her active participation culminated in her being appointed Deputy Grand President to *Berendos* Parlor No. 23, Red Bluff, Tehama County.

Her activities outside of the Order have been devoted to her community. She served as secretary of the Parent-Teachers Association for two terms and during her membership she was among those who saw the desperate need for more school facilities and was on the committee which successfully brought about the building of a new school.

She also has held office in the Toastmistress Club and has given service to the community in cooperation with the Head of the Redding Recreation Department, performing many supervisory duties at programs and functions for young people. All the members of her family have an active interest in the Boy Scouts and during the summer she joins her family in donating services to that organization at Camp Lassen. Other

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community activities include the Election Board, March of Dimes and the Easter Seals Society.

Responsibilities to Grand Parlor as Grand Trustee are undertaken with pride. Mrs. Ball feels that her participation in the Order is a most enriching experience and she takes every opportunity to share her enthusiasm and to communicate it to prospective members.

EL PINAL WINS RIBBON

El Pinal Parlor No. 163, Cambria, took a fourth place ribbon for its entry in the Cambria 9th Annual Pinedarado. The entry was a float in keeping with the theme for the year, "Early California History."

ITALIAN DINNER

On November 12, Mrs. Ernest Ricker, finance chairman of *Joaquin* No. 5, N.D.G.W. and her committee are planning to serve an Italian dinner to the members and general public to raise funds and stimulate interest in the Native Daughters of the Golden West. Mrs. Lloyd Bresse heads the Parlor this year.



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TOURNAMENT OF ROSES . . .

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ately send their names and addresses to Dorothy Fansler, 1032 West Chandler, Wilmington. A time schedule is being set up and it will be helpful to the committee if you will indicate the time and day and for how long a time you will be able to help decorate.

Giving unselfishly of their time without hope of reward other than the satisfaction of being a part of the pageantry that brings joy and beauty into the lives of so many on New Year's Day, and proudly presents the name of the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West is the objective of the members of the Inter-Parlor-Southern Section Tournament of Roses Committee and your Native Daughters' State Committee members.

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PARLOR BIRTHDAY

Mission Parlor No. 227, N.D.G.W., held its annual anniversary banquet September 22, 1957, at the Tivoli Restaurant in San Francisco. The parlor is 34 years old having been instituted September 8, 1923. Of the 81 names appearing on the charter issued to Mission Parlor in 1923, only fourteen are still active and members of the Parlor.

Seven of the present 14 charter members attended the banquet, as well as the "Father" of the Parlor, Percy Cosbie, who is a member of Mission Parlor No. 38, N.S.G.W. Percy was instrumental, together with his wife Helen, in "signing" up the majority of the members who were among the original 81.

Chairman of the dinner was Lillian Storti. Invited guests included Deputy Grand President, Dolores Kikke of Minerva Parlor and her husband Hugh. The charter members present and introduced by President Bertha Whitney were Mesdames Lillian Storti, Katherine Estalita, Grace Stanley, Helen Cosbie, Mar-

garet (Enright) Denahy and the Misses Hazel Griswold and Madeleine Hanrahan, who was the charter secretary for several years.

GRAND PRESIDENTS BALL

Native Sons and Daughters are reminded to attend the Grand Presidents Ball on November 23 at the Huntington-Sheraton Hotel at Pasadena. Mrs. Irma M. Caton, Grand President, N.D.G.W. and Mr. Larry J. Lafleur, Grand President, N.S.G.W. will be the honored guests. The affair is sponsored by Inter-Parlor, Southern District. Contact your parlor chairman, or if you reside outside Los Angeles County and desire to attend, write Mrs. Blanche Oeschel, 514 N. Las Palmas Ave., Los Angeles.

FASHION SHOW

Rio Hondo Parlor No. 284 is holding a fashion show and luncheon in Downey at the Silver Saddle Inn, November 2 at 12:30 p.m. The proceeds will go to the Children's Foundation Fund which will be presented to the Grand President on her official visit. In charge of the affair are Mesdames Beulah Salisbury and Mary Kratz.

On November 18, El Aliso Parlor No. 314 will hold a "Dime-a-dip" potluck at 6:45 p.m. Proceeds will be used for the plaque to mark San Buena Ventura Mission's water system.

WILD FLOWERS OF THE WEST

"Wild Flowers of the West" a colorful film with music and dialogue was presented at Joaquin Parlor No. 5, N.D.G.W., Stockton. Mrs. Geraldine Veregge, Conservation chairman, gave a most interesting lecture in connection with the film. She called attention to the fact that native flora, a part of California's natural resources is often overlooked. It is the flora that provides food for the live stock grazing and both food and shelter for wild life. California must rely on education, cooperation and planning rather than law and compulsion for the future wise use

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and conservation of its natural resources. California Conservation Council has listed 91 types of wild flowers recently abundant that should not be gathered at all.

Assisting Mrs. Veregge on the committee for the month were Mrs. Minnie Witt, Sophie Nelson, Ann Limbaugh, Mrs. Dan Looper and Mrs. James Segale.

EUCALYPTUS . . .

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fest with elm bark beetles. They were condemned and burned. In their stead large quantities of eucalyptus wood from the El Toro grove were used.

The eucalyptus boom, which started in 1904, witnessed huge plantings of the trees. Numerous corporations were formed to sell land for eucalyptus groves. Eucalyptus oil companies sprang up. Magazines were printed devoted exclusively to the culture of eucalyptus and the use of its products. Wild claims of wealth enticed thousands of dollars from people hoping to become rich.

To Frank Havens, who planted many trees in the Berkeley-Oakland area, is given the credit for bursting the speculation bubble. With the cooperation of the United States Forest Service he was instrumental in bringing an experienced forester to California who was instructed to study the commercial value of the eucalyptus. His report was bitterly disappointing for he declared that no blue gum, less than 2½ feet in diameter, was suitable for lumber. His findings were uncontroverted and the great eucalyptus boom collapsed.

Now considered an adopted son of California, the eucalyptus was first seen by white men on January 26, 1777. On that day the ships *Resolution* and *Discovery*, carrying Cook's Third Expedition, entered Adventure Bay on the south coast of Tasmania, a few miles from the present city of Hobart. On board were naturalist William Anderson and his assistant, David Nelson, who first observed the tree. From a specimen collected by Nelson, it was studied by L'Heretire who gave it its present name. The word, "eucalyptus," was coined from the Greek words for "well" and "covered," referring to the lid or cap which seals the flower of the tree until thrown off in the process of opening.

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THE SPARROW & CANARY ...

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Then Mr. Peters took the horses down to the livery barn and about an hour later when he came back his hat was on the back of his head.

But his walk was as straight as the furrow behind a plow.

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"You can't marry her without permission," said the marriage license clerk, "She's a minor."

The young man looked stumped; "You mean I gotta ask John L. Lewis?"—Builders

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The Recording Secretary of *Toluca* Parlor No. 279 is Mrs. Jessie Cady, 11058 Tuxford St., Sun Valey, California.

AT THE BAR ...

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I had anything to say he never shood have justice here. I ordered him to hold his tung and shetup. When he went out of Coort he began to grumble again. I ordered John Luney the constable to arrest him and bring him into coort before me which he done. I then fined him 25 dollars fur contempt of Coort."

Although attorney Barber was successful in the gamblers' case he did not always fare so well before Justice Barry. He represented Sheriff George Work in suing one Jesus Ramirez for stealing his mule. Barry gave judgment against the Mexican and ordered him to pay Court costs of \$10 together with a fine of \$100 "as a terrou to all evel dooers." Ramirez had no money so Barry ordered Work to pay both costs and fine. Barber protested. According to Barry, he "in solently told me there was no law fur me to rool so I told him that I didn't care a damn for his book law, but I was law myself. He jawed back so I told him to shetup but he wouldn't so I fined him 50 dollars and comited him to gaol for 5 days for contempt of Coort in bringing my roomings and disissions into disreputableness end as a warning to unrooly citizens not to contredict this Coort."

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"All of this is California's more recent contribution to the nation which it joined in 1850 and is well known throughout the United States. However, it is the less publicized contributions of earlier years which give our Admission Day almost religious quality to members and friends of the organizations assembled this evening.

"It is impossible for us to think of our 'Empire of the Sun' without recalling to mind the men and deeds which brought her into existence. Few, if any, of the almost legendary figures in our history were native Californians. Yet their devotion and sacrifices for an adopted land read like fiction.

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"The names of those who participated in the early growth of our State are so numerous as to defy recognition in time available this evening. However, all are with us in spirit and live again at this time each year. The Native Sons of the Golden West and the Native Daughters of the Golden West are dedicated to

the perpetuation of California's history and the record of those lives which were a part of it.

"In this regard we look to a past and future of service and accomplishment which, to some extent, allows us the privilege of placing ourselves among those we honor and in a past we love."

Wilmington Parlor No. 278, N.D. G.W. combined Courtesy Night with Halloween festivities on October 22. Clara Hannifin and Esterlee May served as hostesses. Mary Griffith heads Wilmington Parlor this year.

A smile is something that adds to your face value.



Greetings Friends:

As I travel around on my rocket, I find that more and more folks enjoy reading the exciting true stories in CALIFORNIA HERALD magazine. Mrs. Claus and I always look forward to such features as "At the Bar" (legal bar, of course); stories of pioneer days of '49, the gold rush, Black Bart the PO-8; the origin of California Place Names, and the "Firsts" in California such as the first cable car, the first movie theatre, and the first electricity powered by atomic energy.

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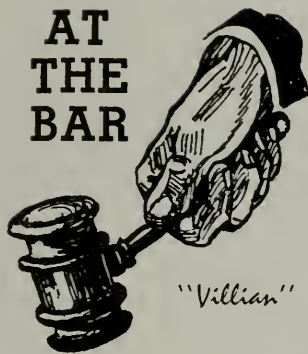
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DECEMBER, 1957 - THIRTY-FIVE CENTS

AT THE BAR



"Villain"

Law suits were a subject of great interest in early Sonora and were generously attended. The lawyers participating of course extended themselves in their efforts to make a good impression upon the public. In the case of the *People of the State of California vs. Emanuel Baretta*, tried before Justice of the Peace Richard C. Barry, "neerly the whole Barr of Sonora weer engaged fur the pros. or deft." according to the docket of the judge.

Baretta was charged with "steeling 24 dollars." During the trial, which lasted two days, Judge Barry fell asleep, but he awakened in time to render a decision in his inimitable manner:

"Having investigated the eaze of Emanuel Barretta charged by an old mexican woman with having abstracted a box of munney which was burried in the grund jointly belonging to herself and daughter and carrying it fur its contents away from her dwelling... the eaze being so at varriance with the comon dictates of hoomanity and having been done under verry paneful curcumstances at the time when the young female was about to close her exestence the day before she died, and her aged muther at the same time lying upon a bead of sickness unable to rise or get a morsel of food fur herself, and he at the time presenting his self as an Angel of Releaf to the poor and distitute ailing when 20 poor dolars might have releaved the emejate needessities of the poor and infaebled sick and distitute old woman far from hoam and friends cals imperitively for a sever rebuk for such inhuman and unpreedenetened conduct as also the need-seity of binding him over to the

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DECEMBER IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

Salvador Ignacio Linares, the first native born white child of California, was born in Coyote Canyon, north of Borrego Valley, on December 24, 1775. His parents were members of the expedition of Juan Bautista de Anza, enroute to San Francisco.

Misión Santa Barbara was founded by Fathers Fermín Lasuén, Antonio Paterna and Cristóbal Oramas on December 4, 1786. It was the tenth mission founded by the Franciscans in Alta California.

Captain John C. Frémont arrived at Sutter's Fort on December 12, 1845. He was on his Second Expedition.

The publication of President James K. Polk's annual message on December 5, 1848, affirmed the fact that gold had been discovered in California.

Humboldt Bay was discovered from land on December 20, 1849, by a group of eight miners, under the leadership of Dr. Josiah Gregg. These men were seeking a better route for supplies from San Francisco to the Trinity mines. Gregg died on the return trip.

Newton Booth was inaugurated governor of California on December 8, 1871. A native of Indiana, he came to California in 1850 and became wealthy in mercantile transactions. He was the uncle of the well-known novelist, Booth Tarkington.

The City of Long Beach was incorporated on December 12, 1897. Settled in 1884, it was first known as "Willmore City."

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DOWNIEVILLE PIONEER CHURCH



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short, that the citizens of Downieville have done everything for the Church with the exception of attending it." However, it would appear that the slightly facetious reference to attendance was soon rectified by the efforts of the young preacher and his helpers.

The editor describes the location of the church as in the rear of the lower plaza. In those days there were three areas in the town termed plazas, but the plaza referred to here is plainly the one upon which the present church stands.

Under "Religious Notices" in the well-preserved files of the *Mountain Echo* of that same Fall appeared weekly the following item: "Preaching on each Sabbath at 11 a.m. and 7½ p.m. in Downieville, by the Rev. R. R. Dunlap of the M. E. Church." The files of the *Mountain Echo* are now located in the local museum in Downieville, sponsored by the Native Sons, *Downieville Parlor No. 92*, and the Native Daughters of the Golden West, *Naomi Parlor No. 36*.

In 1859 A. T. Langton presented the church with a Bible which was printed in England, 1849. The W.S. C.S. group of the church have had this old volume restored by Hans Shuberth, an old German book binder of San Francisco. On the occasion of the visit of the Grand President, Irma M. Caton, to *Naomi Parlor*, in joint session with *Sierra Parlor No. 268*, of Alleghany, the Bible was loaned by the church to the Parlor for use on the altar.

Downieville possesses two churches which date back to the early days. On June 25, 1950, *Naomi Parlor N.D.G.W.* and *Downieville Parlor N.S.G.W.* dedicated plaques for the Methodist Church and the Catholic Church both built in the 1850's.

IN CELEBRATING the 105th anniversary of the founding of a Methodist congregation, Downieville can claim the distinction of harboring the oldest Protestant church building in continuous use in California.

Historians tend to stress the lawlessness of the roistering gold camps of the 50's, passing lightly over the ever-present little groups of men and women who stood steadfastly for law and order and for Christian living. The hanging of the Spanish girl, with its grisly details, never fails to find a conspicuous place in any account of the early days of the thriving camp sprawling at the forks of the Yuba.

Yet in the year of 1852, there arrived, unpublicized, a sturdy young pioneer dedicated to another and higher cause than the wrestling of gold from the rocks and gravel beds of the region. The Reverend Robert Ranken Dunlap, sent as a missionary to California, had received his appointment to the Downieville area from the presiding elder of the Methodist Episcopal Conference.

Of the trek to Downieville of the youthful Dunlap the record states simply: "Dunlap left Nevada City

on foot." Nine weary days later he stood on the point above the town and surveyed his future pastorate. His thoughts are now known, but there is reason to believe that he plunged into his work with a zeal that equaled that of the untiring seekers of gold.

We know that by May, 1852 he was, according to church sources, "preaching in unfinished buildings Sabbath mornings and in the Virginia Hotel Sabbath nights." But the record goes on to say that he soon succeeded in raising funds and erecting a very neat church 30 x 50 feet, with a 16 x 20 foot basement. Rev. Dunlap preached twice each Sabbath and once in two weeks at Good-years and Cox's Bars, with a membership of thirty-three within the Circuit.

In its first issue under the new ownership of Oscar O. Ball, October 9, 1952, below the heading "Church," the *Mountain Echo* editor wrote: "We would call the attention of the people of Downieville to the fact that they have erected a very commodious and comfortable Church in the year of the lower plaza, and have a talented and zealous preacher; in



Interior of health exhibit car

Health Education

by Clifford Jackson

ONE OF THE most successful propaganda fights against a dread disease in California was waged nearly fifty years ago through the whole-hearted support of California's women's clubs — including the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

The target was tuberculosis. The year, 1909.

The line of battle was formed as a result of a frightening report from the State Board of Health which stated that for the period of 1900 to 1909 one in every seven deaths in this State was caused by tuberculosis. Before that report was issued state legislators adamantly refused to heed the pleas of the Health Board to appropriate more than token sums to support the anti-TB fight.

Then on the strength of the latest statistics, Dr. Newell K. Foster, secretary of the State Health Board, managed to push through a legislative appropriation of \$2,000 to educate the public against tuberculosis.

TB sufferers seeking health in California's mild climate were swarming into the State at that time. They added to an already aggravated TB problem and Dr. Foster realized that if they and the native Californians were to be educated against the disease, he would have to rely on help other than from State officials.

He wisely turned to organized women's organizations for the much needed assistance. The Native Daughters of the Golden West, the archives disclose, were among many groups volunteering assistance in the campaign.

Although \$2,000 was a drop in the bucket, Dr. Foster was determined to make the most of it. After conferring with public health workers throughout the State, the Board de-

cided to try the exhibit method. It was a stroke of good luck that Dr. Frank K. Ainsworth, a member of the Board of Health, was also Chief Surgeon for the Southern Pacific.

He persuaded the railroad to remodel one of its best passenger coaches to house an anti-TB exhibit and give it free transportation over its lines. Santa Fe also agreed to move the exhibit without cost on all of its tracks.

The coach was lined with wall charts showing the cost in human lives of three preventable diseases—tuberculosis, typhoid fever and diarrhea. These three were causing 6,000 deaths a year. Relief maps, animated exhibits, mounted specimens, scale models and photographs were also included.

Wherever the coach stopped, the exhibit staff gave lectures with lantern slides and demonstrations.

The "health car" travelled continuously for a year over all the steam and electric lines in California. More than 100,000 people visited it, especially school children. The exhibit gave strong impetus to health education in California's schools.

It was about this time that the volunteer anti-TB associations began to burgeon in the more populated counties. Each year the funds they raised through the Christmas Seal sale made possible more and more anti-tuberculosis education.

Commenting on his plans to use the \$2,000 for the exhibit car, Dr. Foster wrote in the Board's Monthly Bulletin for March, 1909, that someday we will "have laws requiring prompt reporting of all cases. We will have hospitals where the afflicted can be treated and cared for as they cannot at home. We will give everybody at least a cent's worth of information each year how to avoid the disease, and instead of one in every six dying from it, as at present, the rate will be materially lowered."

The pioneering efforts of Dr. Foster and his exhibit coach, and the work of the volunteer anti-tuberculosis agencies did pay off. Today, nearly fifty years later, the death rate from tuberculosis in California has been reduced to eight per 100,000 population. But until that eight is reduced to zero, the battle goes on.

Native Daughters of the Golden West can take pride in the part they

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The Sparrow



and Canary



by Louis Danz

PART XXVIII

THAT CHRISTMAS evening just before dark they sat in the front room. Hattie and the baby were sleeping.

What a day it had been.
All the family in one nest.
All but one.

For a few minutes there was quiet. As if each were thinking about the same thing. John knew by their faces. Their eyes.

Father.

A black ink spot on white paper. John threw more wood into the stove that stood in the corner of the room like a big giraffe with its long neck stretched high through the colored wallpaper.

The sides of the stove got red.

John's mother rocked in her chair.

She seemed older than years. John knew she was very hurt.

Torn lace.

After a little while she rocked faster.

Then she spoke. Father has been acting worse the last few weeks. Sometimes at the supper table he jumps up from his chair and rushes from the room and I follow him and ask him, "What is it Walt, What is it," and he doesn't answer. He goes to the window and stares out when it is so dark there is nothing to see. Twice I found him wiping the tears from his eyes. Other times he sits and reads the Bible turning page after page as if he were looking for something he can't find.

And then turning to Uncle Dan she said, "He complains that the pills you give don't help him any more." And Uncle Dan said, "Don't blame the pills Martha."

Then before anybody knew it, Mother started crying and covered her face with her hands.

It was so sudden.

She cried as if she had never grown up. She cried like a child and a woman so they couldn't be told apart.

The tears ran down her face.

They wet her hands.

No one spoke.

Uncle Dan watched her with a lot of pity showing in his face. Then he went to the window and put his hand on her head.

"Martha, Martha," was all he said.

"I'm all right Dan, I'm all right," Mother said and got up from the rocker and went into the kitchen shutting the door behind her. But in the front room they could still hear her crying and John's whole body ached. Tears came up in him to the edge of his eyes and he pounded them back with the fists inside his head.

For the next minutes no one in the room could put their heart into words. Uncle Dan went over to the canary in his cage. "What's the matter, little Dickie," he said, "Can't you sing for us today?"

But Dickie didn't answer.

And then John couldn't hold himself together any longer and he tiptoed into the bedroom and Hattie and the baby were still sleeping and John knelt beside the bed and prayed.

He prayed about his father. He prayed a long time. Not with words but with pictures in his mind. At last the words came. He's a good

man Lord," he prayed. "He's a good man. Bring him to us Lord. We love him Lord."

After he said Amen he got to his feet and went back inside the front room.

Snow, like little white feathers was falling past the windows. In another while it would be dark.



CHRISTMAS TURNED OUT LIKE JOHN
HAD PRAYED IT WOULD.

Uncle Dan looked at his watch. It's time to go, he said.

John lit the lamp.

Then when all were ready to say Good Night there was a knock at the front door.

Everyone looked at the others.

John's heart beat as fast as Dickie's wings. "Could it be," he thought.

Uncle Dan stepped to the window. Then in a hushed voice, he said, Our Sparrow.

John hurried to open the door and it was his father. His hat was covered with snow. His face was as white as Mother's shouldn't be.

Then Father held out his hand. He smiled. It was a smile John had never seen before.

The canary in the wire cage burst into song.

▲ THE END

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World's first solar-powered clock. The cover of the case has been opened to obtain a better photograph.

DURING RECENT YEARS much scientific research has been devoted in an attempt to utilize the vast energy of the sun. For the first time this source of power has been harnessed to operate a clock.

Very appropriately the clock has been installed at Palm Springs where the sun is profligate with its gifts of heat and light. It was presented to the local Chamber of Commerce by its manufacturer, the Hoffman Electronics Corporation of Los Angeles, well known for its pioneering in the use of solar energy for practical use.

The clock is fastened to the Chamber of Commerce's new building. According to Cliff W. Brown, it is affixed with extension bolts so that it "sets away from the building about five inches, permitting the curious and unbelievers to see behind as well as under the clock to ascertain that no electrical connections lead from the building to it." The clock is perpetually powered by 20 silicon

solar cells that convert the light energy given off by the sun into usable electricity. This electricity is transferred to the battery in the clock where it is stored for use at night.

The silicon solar cells are highly purified silicon, impregnated with minute quantities of arsenic and boron. They are wafer thin disks which convert light energy into electrical power with an efficiency of about ten per cent. According to Hoffman engineers, under direct sunlight, approximately 1,000 watts of power fall on each square yard of the earth's surface. They estimate that the cells will work efficiently for a minimum of 300 years.

The Hoffman Semiconductor Division in Evanston, Illinois, is the sole commercial manufacturer of solar cells which are the outgrowth of semiconductor research carried on in the Bell Laboratories.

There is nothing particularly unique about the clock which is a Henri X Corbat 15 inch battery type and which, together with its accessories and cells is valued at more than \$1,000.

Modern utilization of sunlight to operate this clock is of great importance for it marks a great technological advance over the most primitive method of using the sun to tell time: the sun dial.

The earliest record of a sun dial is one devised in Egypt during the reign of Thutmose III, in about 1500 B.C. About eight centuries later Isaiah wrote: "Behold, I will bring again the shadow of the degrees, which is gone down in the sun dial of Ahaz, ten degrees backward."

From these ancient times the science of horology has advanced into the electronic age until the first solar powered clock has been devised and then installed in Palm Springs — another California First!



Ethelwyne Fraisher photo

From left: Grand Secretary Sallie R. Thaler; Publisher Joseph R. Knowland; Grand Trustee Alice Shea; Past Grand President Clarice Knowland; Past Grand President Audrey Brown; Grand Trustee Mary Ehlers; Grand Trustee Edna Williams; Chairman of the day Muriel Blodgett; Past Grand President Doris Gerrish and Grand President Irma M. Caton.

A HISTORICAL marker has been dedicated at Sloughhouse, Sacramento County, commemorating the first Sloughhouse, built in 1850. This historic location was an important pioneer stage stop and was a favorite of Leland Stanford on his way to the Amador mines. Although it never progressed beyond the store, post office, saloon and cemetery type of country town it left its mark on early California history. For a number of years there was a blacksmith shop, but with the coming of the automobile, truck, tractor and other modern conveniences, it became a memory.

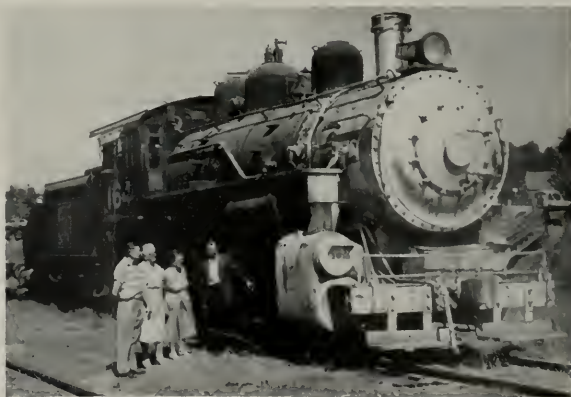
LOCOMOTIVE HAS NEW HOME

by
Florence D. Boyle

"Old 164," which had been slated to be dismantled and taken to the scrap yard, has been rescued by *Gold of Ophir* Parlor No. 190, N.D.G.W., *Argonaut* Parlor No. 8, N.S.G.W. of Oroville, and City Mayor Connie Weisker. The old steam locomotive had seemed to have lost her usefulness to the Western Pacific Railroad after her years of service.

When the two Parlors took over

The marker was dedicated September 15, 1957, under the auspices of *Liberty* Parlor No. 213 of Elk Grove. Irma M. Caton, Grand President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, and her corps of officers, conducted the dedicatory ceremonies. Dr. Peter T. Conmy, Past Grand President of the Native Sons



From left: Connie Weisker, Mayor of Oroville; Ruth Brown, chairman of the Park project; Florence D. Boyle, Past Grand President and Mr. Ronan, W. P. Shop Superintendent.

a section of the new Oroville city park, known as "Hewitt Claim Park," to be beautified, they learned of the impending fate of Old 164. The Western Pacific Railroad Company was contacted and its officials generously stated that they would give the locomotive so that it could be placed in this section of the park.

The Railroad Company has agreed

to repaint her as well as install her in her new home. Employees of the company have generously offered their help in the restoration and upkeep of Old 164. The locomotive will have an honored place on Baldwin Avenue, directly across from the present Western Pacific depot in Oroville.

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SLOUGHHOUSE MARKER DEDICATED

by
Muriel Blodgett

of the Golden West, was the principal speaker. Informative talks were given by Grand President Caton and by Miss Ethelwyne Fraisher, State Chairman of the History and Landmarks File Committee. An interesting and educational hour was enjoyed by the many present.

Distinguished guests, with their wives, were Past Grand Presidents Joseph R. Knowland and Mrs. Clarice Cook Knowland, Edward T. Schnarr and Mrs. Schnarr, Charles A. Koenig and Mrs. Angela Koenig. Mrs. Peter T. Conmy was also present as well as several Deputy Grand Presidents of District 18 and members of the Native Daughter and

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The Grand President's Corner

Greetings from Irma M. Caton



IRMA M. CATON

This is the time of year when the spirit of the Holiday Season gives us a friendly glow and we feel gay and wish our friends a most happy and Merry Christmas. We should bow our heads in grateful prayer to our Heavenly Father for we are truly the privileged people of the world, living in this great land of Liberty, where we have the opportunities to do things that we wish and worship as we please.

Soon the old year with its trials and disappointments, its joys and happiness, will be in the past. We should look forward to a new year with eagerness in what it may hold for us, not only as individuals but as Native Daughters of the Golden West.

I know you will continue to be as generous in the new year as you have been in the past in giving aid to the many worthy projects of our Order, remembering our Veterans at this Holiday Season, our Children's Foundation, our Mission Soledad Restoration and increasing our membership so we may continue to be the outstanding patriotic women's organization in our State of California.

My wish to each Native Daughter and Native Son of the Golden West is for a most happy Holiday Season with your family and friends, and may only good health, happiness and success in your undertakings, be yours during the coming year of 1958.

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TRUSSELL-WINCHESTER ADOBE

The marking of the Trussell-Winchester Adobe, built in 1854 was held October 12 in Santa Barbara. Dr. Aubrey Neasham, State Historian Division of Beaches and Parks dedicated the marker as California Historic Landmark No. 559. Frances Price was the speaker of the day.

Assisting in the festivities were members of *Reina del Mar* Parlor No. 126, N.D.G.W.

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STOCKTON CIVIC IMPROVEMENT

Mrs. Laverne Hunter and Mrs. Marie Thompson, co-chairmen of Americanism and Civic Participation of *Joaquin* Parlor No. 5, N.D.G.W., recently presented a speaker on the \$12,000,000 bond election for the improvement of Stockton.

ITINERARY OF GRAND PRESIDENT DECEMBER

- 1 Children's Foundation Breakfast.....San Francisco
- 4 *Keith* No. 137, and *Las Lomas* No. 72.....*San Francisco
- 6 *Fruitvale* No. 166, and *Bahia Vista* No. 167.....*Oakland
- 9 *Darina* No. 114, *San Souci* No. 96, and *Utopia* No. 252....*San Francisco
- 10 *Oak Leaf* No. 285 and *South Butte* No. 226.....*Live Oak
- 12 *Madera* No. 244.....*Madera
- 19 *Joaquin* No. 5, *Caliz de Oro* No. 206, and *Stockton* No. 256.....*Stockton

Note: Official Visits are marked with an asterisk (*)

Pioneer Californian

In a "ramada," a house of woven brush and mustard stalks on South Garey Avenue, San Jose (now known as Pomona), Julia Slaughter Fuqua was born. She was the third of the ten children of Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Mercer Slaughter. Fenton Slaughter had come to California in the spring of 1851 and on December 8, 1860 married Maria Dolores Alvarado, daughter of Francisco Maria Alvarado and Juana Maria Avila de Alvarado members of two of the oldest Spanish families in Southern California.

When Julia was two years old, the family moved into the imposing adobe house on Buena Vista Rancho at Rincon which her father has just purchased from Raymundo Yorba. She attended school first at Pioneer school on the home ranch, then in Los Angeles for a time, and at the age of fifteen was sent for a year to St. Catherine's Convent School in San Bernardino. On December 4, 1889, she married Benjamin Franklin Fuqua who died in 1909.

The old adobe ranch home where she lived was built by Indians in 1807. In 1928 Mrs. Fuqua bought out the interests of her brothers and sisters. She converted the house into a museum and conducted tours through it until shortly before her death. The home contains many antiques more than 100 years old.

Mrs. Fuqua was active in affairs of *Ontario* Parlor No. 251, N.D.G.W. Her daughter Mrs. Walter L. Fryer is also a member. Mrs. Fuqua recently passed on at Buena Vista Rancho at the age of 91 years.

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SAN JUAN PARLOR

San Juan Parlor No. 315, under direction of its president Lucille Lee, is a busy group. Lillian Gunderson was general chairman when the Grand President, Irma M. Caton visited the Parlor. Gery Chambers, Americanism chairman presented an American flag to the Optimist Home for Boys. A Bear Flag was presented to the Lions Club of Fair Oaks, the presentation being made by Lillian Gunderson. A cake and gifts from the Parlor were presented at the birthday party given for a Veteran. The affairs was under the direction of Joanne Mettz, Veterans Welfare chairman.

The Christmas Angel

by Jewel T. McSweeney

I AM A CHRISTMAS ANGEL made from tinsel and glitter and my wings are frayed from tiny little hands that touch me with loving care as I stand guard on a brilliantly lighted Christmas tree.

From my vantage point I surveyed all that was taking place at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco on the first Sunday in December.

I watched in fascination the excitement around me as Native Daughters of the Golden West gathered for their annual Christmas Breakfast for the Children's Foundation. I breathed in the freshness of the scent of pine and fir. I watched the happiness of oldsters, when almost as children again they received sudden pleasure from the glittering trees that adorned each table.



Then a beautiful voice broke through the carefree chatter as the words "Silent Night, Holy Night," echoed throughout the room and my eyes turned to the crèche in the cor-

ner. I thought then of the story of Christmas . . . Christmas that began with Mary, Joseph and Child. It seemed that the Star of Bethlehem reflected the joy and adoration of His birth.

I realized then that the Native Daughters of the Golden West relive the promise of the Christmas Star at their annual Breakfast because it symbolizes hope; it expresses the lesson of peace on earth to men of goodwill.

For just as the Magi brought gifts to the Manger, so do the Native Daughters of the Golden West bring loving gifts to their Children's Foundation.

I listened to the story of the Foundation unfold . . . the story of the small child born without an ear . . . and now, after six operations made possible by the Native Daughters of the Golden West an entire ear was constructed.

I felt as if I knew the little blue baby who will have a chance to live because of extensive heart surgery made possible from a grant. Then there was little Johnnie, born with a malady that took all the skin off his legs, and the Native Daughters of the Golden West Children's Foundation provided sufficient money to care for his hospitalization during his long illness and repeated operations of skin grafting. Joe plays now with other boys because he has an artificial limb through a merciful child welfare project.

Two little premature babies will be at home this Christmas because the Foundation made it possible for them to remain in the hospital until they reached the required weight.

There were camperships for the sightless and handicapped children, braces for those with withered limbs,

doctors, medicine and hospitalization provided for suffering little ones. Little Tommie had a brain tumor operation and a sightless girl who could not adjust to her lot in life received expert psychiatric care.



All this and more I heard because hundreds of children had experienced the hand of human kindness known as the Native Daughters of the Golden West Children's Foundation.

Yes, it was the real spirit of Christmas I saw on that morning . . . It was more blessed to give than to receive.

I realized too how much happiness Native Daughters throughout California have brought to the children of their state. It seemed as though He, whose birth is celebrated in Heaven was brought closer to earth. As I closed my eyes and the program ended the proclamation that the angels sang out nearly two thousand years ago resounded on the walls of time.

The miracle of the Prince of Peace happened again as the words "Merry Christmas" echoed throughout the room.

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PARLOR ACTIVITIES



Left: Santa Ana Parlor members viewing their handiwork. From left: Mrs. Vernon Orr; Mrs. Herman Cilley (President); Mrs. Dan McNamara (Hostess); Mrs. Harold Cack; Mrs. Fred Germain (Thimble Club Chairman). Right: Decorating for San Gabriel Valley Parlor's garden party are (from left): Mrs. Wm. L. Goldie, Hostess; Mrs. Roger Carney, President; Mrs. Orval Blake, Chairman.

BAZAAR

Members of the Thimble Club of Santa Ana Parlor No. 235, N.D.G.W. have worked each Tuesday for the past three months making doll clothes and miscellaneous articles for their bazaar held November 20. The proceeds will be used for the Parlor's many philanthropies.

A man's opinions are generally of much more value than his arguments.—O. W. Holmes.

A woman has this quality in common with the angels, that those who suffer belong to her.—Balzac.

GARDEN PARTY

A garden party was held in the home of Mrs. William L. Goldie to raise money for the "Children's Foundation," a favorite philanthropy of San Gabriel Valley Parlor No. 281 N.D.G.W. Early California dress was worn and colorful decorations made this an outstanding event of the year.

Wilmington Parlor Thimble Club, N.D.G.W. recently enjoyed a patio supper in the home of Catherine Erwin. Mary Braker was chairman of the affair. Pictures were shown by Dorothy Fansler and Gladys Boerner.

PARLOR HONORS MEMBERS

Matilda Mock and Rosalie Donovan who are charter members of 63 years standing were presented with Life Memberships by San Jose Parlor No. 81, N.D.G.W. Other members of fifty years or more who were also honored were Mesdames Singleton, Rulon, Prola, Newton, Gray, Fleming, Briggs and Bergazzi.

The decor was gold carried out in old fashioned flowers, a fitting compliment to the 50 years or more of golden service given the Parlor by these members. Mrs. Allmon Smith, president of the Parlor chaired the delightful affair.

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PAST PRESIDENT HONORED

Mrs. Dale Porter, Grand Marshal of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, and a member of *La Tijera* Parlor No. 282, Inglewood, was honored recently by her parlor at a tea held at the Centinela Adobe.

Mrs. Edith Fairbrother and Miss Dolores Zetwo were co-chairmen of the affair. All Past Presidents of the Parlor were on hand to introduce Mrs. Porter to the various Parlors of Southern California represented. In addition to being Grand Marshal, Mrs. Porter is State Chairman of Junior Native Daughters and is in the midst of a most active campaign to increase the interest and membership in that organization. She is also a member of the Planning Committee for the 50th Anniversary Celebration for the City of Inglewood, California.

In the receiving line were Mrs. Porter, Beatrice Hite, president of the parlor and Inez Huffman, deputy grand president. Others assisting were Anita Bookman, Helen Brandt, Laura Coffin, Mildred Dittmar, Lenore Eberle, Alice Gieschen, Florence Grass, Lila Hummel, Katherine Mason, Jennie Ober, Janie Pardee, Ruth M. Payne, Sabina Sully and May Zimmerman.

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HEALTH EDUCATION

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played with their sisters and other fine groups in the progress against tuberculosis.

"It is the women volunteers," said Dr. Elliot Rouff, president of the Los Angeles County Tuberculosis Association, "who have contributed as much to the eradication of widespread tuberculosis as have we physicians."

The annual Christmas Seal sale, which is now going on, makes possible the most comprehensive research, case-finding, education and rehabilitation program in California.

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Who makes use of the moment, is a genius of prudence.—Lavater.

HAWAIIAN TOUR

Agnes Seja, first vice-president of *Wilmington* Parlor No. 278, N.D.G. W. represented her parlor on the recent Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce tour of Hawaii. She was awarded the trip at the Huntington Park Community Fair.

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BASKET OF POPPIES

A car decorated and representing a large basket of California poppies was created under the direction of Mrs. Vernon Corr and Mrs. Charles Kelly, *Joaquin* Parlor No. 5, N.D. G.W. for the Admission Day Parade in Oakland. Mrs. Corr's pretty young daughters Cecile and Ginger sat among the poppies.

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CLUB ORGANIZED

Mrs. Minnie Silva of *Hayward* Parlor No. 122 called a meeting of all former Supervising District Deputy Grand Presidents of Alameda County for the purpose of organizing a Past S.D.D.G.P. Club.

Members present included Mesdames Dombink, Kardoza, Lewis, Benedetti, Ragon, Gordon, Evans, Farley, Messer, Murray and Silva. A reunion dinner meeting will be held in June and January of each year. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Irma Murray.

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FASHION SHOW

Fashions in clothes and swim suits were spotlighted recently when *La Tijera* Parlor No. 282 N.D.G.W. presented their annual "Dessert Fashion Show" at the Fox Hills Country Club. Mrs. Glen T. Hite, president of the local Parlor, described some of the charities to which the proceeds would go. Miss Gloria Dyer acted as commentator. The beautiful styles were presented through the courtesy of Rose Marie Reid of Inglewood and Vera's Dress Shop of Crenshaw Boulevard. Parlor members Mmes. Ray, Mertens, Wilds, Dallons, and Wagner and Miss Gerry Coleman served as models. Non-Parlor members who assisted were the Misses Munyer, Barrett, Martin, Gobel and Holmes.

Assisting the president and Miss Dolores Zetwo, general chairman of the successful affair were the chairmen Mmes. Alexander, Gill, Warnell, Coffin, Johnson, Ray, Covert, Lydeström and the Misses Sully, Payne and Gieschen. Unique table decorations were under the direction of the Young Women's Activities Group. Guests were entertained by Misses Huntley, Graham and Pence, accomplished musicians. Distribution of the many lovely gift prizes and luscious refreshments added to the pleasure of the evening.

PARLOR BIRTHDAY

Brooklyn Parlor No. 157, Oakland, celebrated its Golden Anniversary with a buffet dinner. Grand President Irma M. Caton made her official visit to the Parlor. Attending the affair were 168 members and guests.

Present to honor the Grand President were Grand Secretary Sallie Thaler; Grand Trustees: Alice Shea and Edna Williams and Grand Inside Sentinel Rhoda Roelling. Other honored guests were Past Grand Presidents Mae Hines Noonan, Estelle Evans, Orinda Giannini and Claire Lindsey, Supervising D.D.G.P. Mildred Schilling of *Hayward* Parlor No. 122 and Deputy Grand President Louise Stickney of *Encinal* Parlor No. 156. Also present were 15 Past Deputy Grand Presidents. Minnie Luhr, Kate Stulz and Florence Rovegna were presented their 50 year pins by the Grand President.

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For membership write or call Mrs. John Roche, 14520 Busby Drive, Whittier; phone: OX 6-8643. For dinner reservation contact Mrs. Carl V. Lundgren, Angeles 2-1690, 738 South Woods Ave., Los Angeles 22.

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A group of approximately 25 members plus the Drum Corps girls, participated in the Admission Day celebration at Oakland this year. A decorated car was provided for some of the older members. Following the parade *Mission* Parlor No. 227 N.D.G.W. joined with *Mission* Parlor No. 38, N.S.G.W. for luncheon at Luigi's restaurant, where some 50 members and friends enjoyed a real get together.

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ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED

In a setting of exhibits spanning 69 years of Los Angeles history, Los Angeles County's Native Daughters of the Golden West met to review the 71 year history of their organization at the County Museum.

Greeting the guests were Miss Ruth Mahood, curator of the Museum's history department; Mrs. Vance Miller, president of *Verdugo* Parlor No. 240 and Mrs. Arthur McCliman, chairman of the event. Music typical of the historic period was played by costumed members of Los Americas Ensemble, headed by Violinist Elisabeth Waldo, an authority on early California music.

Twenty-two Parlors were represented. Since its founding, the Native Daughters have helped preserve the historic sites, relics and traditions of California.

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From left: Lowell Chapman, San Pedro Pastmaster; Mrs. Henry O'Neill, Chairman of Americanism and Civic Participation; Mrs. Elmer Parker, president, and Mrs. Mike Kordich.

Rudecinda Parlor No. 230, San Pedro, presented a Bear Flag to Lowell Chapman, local pastmaster. Representing the Parlor were Mrs. Elmer Parker, President; Mrs. Henry O'Neill, Chairman of Americanism and Civic Participation and Mrs. Mike Kordich, Press Chairman. Members also attending were Mesdames Belcher, Brooks, Mumford and Reese. After the presentation, the group were taken on a tour of the postal facilities by Chapman.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

James Lick Parlor members and friends gathered in the main dining room of the Druids Temple, San Francisco, to celebrate the Parlor's 36th birthday with a turkey dinner. Speakers during the evening, introduced by President Alta Gaunt were S.D.D.G.P. Frances Simas, Past Grand President Emily E. Ryan and D.G.P. Irene Bald.

Mabel McGown Walker, Parlor treasurer, was the only charter member present. Ella Hillman, Mae King and Helen Dolan were unable to attend. The chairman of the evening, as in the past 10 years, was Jaredna Johnson with Lena Sand and Ann Shaghnassy as co-workers. Mesdames Steelhammer, Owen, Homer, and Costs were the table committee. The Christmas party with gift exchange will be December 11.

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THE FOUNDING OF BERKELEY

by Clara M. Barton

BERKELEY WAS FOUNDED BECAUSE, in 1853, a doughty Irish squatter convinced two disappointed Westerners that the present site would be a good place to settle.

While waiting for their boat to take them back to New York, George M. Blake and James Leonard, who had lost "grub stakes" in the gold fields, took a horseback ride one day over the vast fields of wild oats in Contra Costa, as it was then called. It was there they met their Irish friend.

Believing this son o' Erin, Blake and Leonard immediately wrote Francis K. Shattuck and William Hillegass, former mining friends in the Marysville country, to join them.

The four staked out a square mile. It was bounded on the north by

what is now Addison Street, on the south by the present Russell Street, on the east by what is now College Avenue and on the west by the present Grove Street. Their first "home" was a cabin on Strawberry Creek, just south of the existing Faculty Club on the Campus.

History relates that these pioneers were forced to fight off numerous night attacks by Spanish farmers. Despite the fusillades of bullets, they always came out successful.

They divided the land into equal lots of 150 acres a piece and then drew straws for the first choice. Each lot was one mile long, running north and south, and one-quarter mile wide, running east and west.

Hillegass drew the "short" straw and selected the eastern strip. Leonard was next, with Blake third; Shattuck took the most westerly lot. Each of the strips later became known after their owners.

The portion of the land which the University of California now oc-



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TOYAN TREE

THE TOYAN, KNOWN AS CALIFORNIA HOLLY, WAS DISCOVERED AT SAN FRANCISCO BAY IN 1972 BY DR. ARCHIBALD MENZIES WITH THE VANCOVER PARTY.

cupies was donated to the institution by Hillegass, Leonard and Blake.

And so Berkeley was founded. But there is an aftermath to this historical data which might have disrupted the entire history of the town.

Following the death of Hillegass in 1876, the remaining founders: Blake, Leonard and Shattuck, put in claims for an undivided one-half interest in Hillegass's entire estate. They based their claims on the old "grub-stake" rights which gave heirs all of the deceased's property!

They were unsuccessful, however, and it was proved that the Berkeley pioneer, Hillegass, had lost everything in his "grub-stake" in his unsuccessful search for gold in the Mother Lode, long before he had ever come to the present site of Berkeley!

AT THE BAR...

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Mabel E. Bollinger Scally, Las Lomas No. 72, September 8.

Sarah Gibson Conklin, Los Gatos No. 317, September 12.

Hazel Grace Heyl, Marysville No. 162, August 30.

Mary O. Hayward Hirschier, San Luisita No. 108, September 11.

Bessie Lulu Hill Leach, Richmond No. 147, September 4.

Mary Agnes Roach Denike, Genevieve No. 132, September 16.

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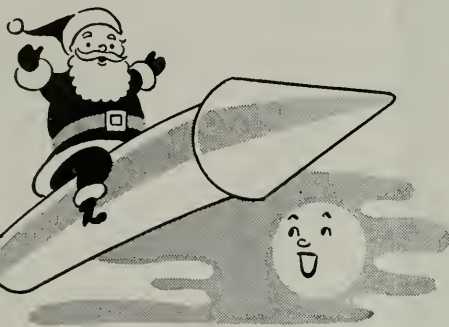
Blanche Woodward Schmidt, Califia No. 22, October 8.

NATIVE SONS PRESENT PORTRAIT

A beautiful portrait in oil of Pio Pico, last Mexican Governor of California was presented to the California State Beaches and Parks Commission, to be placed in the Pio Pico Mansion State Historical Monument. The portrait is the work of Charles S. La Monk, prominent portrait artist. The presentation was under the auspices of Los Angeles Parlor No. 45, N.S.G.W.

I never did anything worth doing by accident, nor did any of my inventions come by accident.—Thomas A. Edison.

Lowell Thomas reports that they are telling this one around the French airports about an American millionaire touring the world in his jet plane. "Ah, look below. That's France," the pilot exclaimed to his employer. The American replied scornfully, "Skip the details. Just mention the continents."



"Look Sputnik, no hands"

Greetings Friends:

As I travel around on my rocket, I find that more and more folks enjoy reading the exciting true stories in CALIFORNIA HERALD magazine. Mrs. Claus and I always look forward to such features as "At the Bar" (legal bar, of course); stories of pioneer days of '49, the gold rush, Black Bart the PO-8; the origin of California Place Names, and the "Firsts" in California such as the first cable car, the first movie theatre, and the first electricity powered by atomic energy.

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VETERAN'S PARTY

A Christmas party for the Veterans at Veterans Hospital in Sawtelle will be held Sunday, December 15, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. This party, sponsored by the Native Sons and Daughters of the Southland, is one of the high lights of the year for the Veterans. Jack B. Curran, of University Parlor No. 272, N.S.G.W., will chairman the event this year, assisted by Senaida Sullivan of Beverly Hills No. 289 and Blanche Oeschel of Californiana Parlor No. 247, N.D.G.W.

AUTUMN FESTIVAL

Californiana Parlor No. 247, N.D.G.W. presented an Autumn Festival. Bazaar and Fashion Show at the Catholic Womens Clubhouse,

Los Angeles. The food booth, White Elephant table, grab box, sale of hand made articles and the Hat Bar proved to be very successful. A delicious ham dinner was served.

The Fashion Show, courtesy of Sweldoms, was a real treat. Members served as models.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF IT

A man who can drive safely while kissing a pretty girl isn't giving the kiss the attention it deserves.

A man's wife may not be the only woman he ever loved, but she's the only woman who made him prove it.

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Jennie: "He met his match."

"What makes you think your wife is getting tired of you?"
"Every day for the last two weeks she's wrapped my lunch in a road map!"

"Bobby," said the teacher sternly, "do you know that you have broken the Eighth Commandment by stealing James' apple?"

"Well," explained Bobby, "I might just as well break the Eighth and have the apple as to break the Tenth and only covet it."—Just Middlin'.

A lady was visiting a mink farm, and wishing to display her interest in the business, asked the owner: "How many mink skins do you get from each animal?"

"Only one, lady," was the patient reply. "If we try to skin them twice it makes them nervous."

A motorcycle officer stopped a motorist who was going 65 miles an hour in a 45 mile zone. When he was asked why he was driving so fast, the motorist replied, "I heard this was a speed trap along here—so I was hurrying to get past it before I got caught!"

A tourist is a fellow who travels many hundreds of miles to get a snapshot of himself standing by his automobile.

Personnel manager hiring new employee: "This is an old firm, my boy; a very old firm. Your basic salary to start with will be \$8—with the cost-of-living adjustment bringing it to \$98.56."—Gardiner Rea.

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COPA DE ORO

Copa de Oro Parlor No. 105, Hollister, has honored several of its members this year. "In Marie's Garden" was the installation theme honoring the new President, Marie Rey. Songs with original words paid tribute to her and also to the retiring president, Pat Skow. Helen May Matulich, Marshal of the Parlor and a recent bride, was honored with a

miscellaneous shower. Honors came to Past President Hilda Perry in form of a 50 year pin, presented by her life long friend Past President Harriett Garner. At the Hallowe'en Kapers, Rose Guilhamet, costumed as a witch, won the costume award.

Honors should also be accorded to the Parlor, for *Copa de Oro* is sending subscriptions of the *California Herald* to the County Library, the City Library and to the Junior College Library.

"Do you want all your office furniture insured against theft?"
"Yes, all except the clock. Everybody watches that."

Two women, past and current presidents of *Ontario* Parlor No. 251, Native Daughters of the Golden West, played major roles in the September 6 dedication of a new grammar school opening this fall in Cucamonga, a historical vineyard community approximately 50 miles southeast of Los Angeles.

Past President Theresa Stafford, who serves as district superintendent of schools, received the honor of having the new school's administrative building named for her.

Miss Stafford, who served *Ontario* Parlor as president during the 1936-37 term, also received the school's first California Bear flag, presented on behalf of the parlor by Mrs. Marvin Ruth, 1957-58 president.

Mrs. Ruth presented the flag after a brief résumé of the history of the twelve flags which have flown over California in which she quoted an excerpt from the July, 1957 issue of the *California Herald*.

SLOUGHHOUSE . . .

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Sons Parlors in the area. Donald Cox, Sheriff of Sacramento County with one of his deputies and former County Executive Charles Deterding and Mrs. Deterding were also in attendance.

Supervising District Deputy Grand President of District 18, Dorothy Buscher, a member of *Liberty* Parlor, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Past Grand President Audrey D. Brown was also present.

Muriel Blodgett, Chairman of the History and Landmarks Committee of *Liberty* Parlor, assisted by Faye Ledbetter, was in charge of the program and was introduced by Mrs. Barbara Morse, President of *Liberty* Parlor.

El Aliso No. 314 will hold a Christmas party, December 16.

East Los Angeles Parlor No. 266, N.D.G.W. gave a Taco Dinner on November 19 for the Children's Foundation Fund. Elsie France, famous for her Mexican foods, made the tacos.




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Great interest has been aroused locally and a record is being obtained of all engineers who have operated the faithful old locomotive. When she has been installed, a grand celebration will be held.

GRAND PRESIDENT HONORED

"Lilac Time" was the theme of the Reception Tea held at the California Palace of the Legion of Honor. Native Daughters and friends from the surrounding area came to help San Francisco N.D.G.W. honor Grand President Irma M. Caton. Sponsors of the affair were S.D. D.G.P. Frances Simas and the 26 Deputy Grand Presidents of San Francisco with Dolores Kikke, chairman. The Franciscan Trio with Nancy Conens, soloist, presented the program.

Among the N.D.G.W. present were Grand Vice President, Eileen Dismuke; Grand Secretary Sallie R. Thaler; Grand Inside Sentinel Rhoda Roelling; Grand Outside Sentinel Fern Adams; Grand Trustees Alice D. Shea, Josephine Sullivan, Edna C. Williams, Mary Ehlers and Wealthy Falk; Grand President Larry Laffeur and Grand Secretary Harold Regan, N.S.G.W.; Past Grand Presidents, N.D.G.W. Mesdames Evans, Gianini, Ryan, Cameron, McSweeney and Gerrish; Past Grand Presidents N.S.G.W. Charles Koenig and Peter T. Conny.

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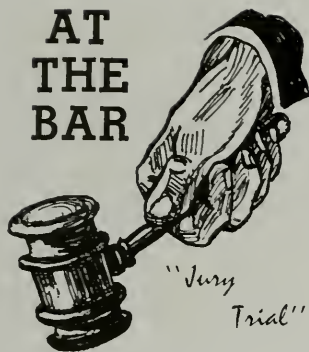
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AT THE BAR



Among my many pleasant memories of San Juan Capistrano are those of the early Thirties when I served as a deputy district attorney of Orange County. In those days Capistrano seemed a long distance from anywhere and its citizens considered themselves a community sufficient unto themselves. Part of their historical heritage was the old story of their pioneer Justice of the Peace "Dick" Egan granting an extradition request which he had received from Baja California addressed to him as "Governor of the Free and Independent State of San Juan Capistrano."

Yes, the people of Capistrano were free and independent, particularly independent. Although typically law-abiding citizens they had little sympathy with prohibition and game laws and their jurors usually refused to convict in cases involving these statutes. I always walked into such trials with a sense of futility. However, I did my best and in addressing the jury I gave forth with an extra burst of oratory. The jurors liked me and showed their appreciation by vigorously applauding my efforts. But I knew what the result would be. In other types of cases the juries were ready to convict when the evidence justified such a verdict.

One morning Game Warden Ed Adkinson came to my office and requested a criminal complaint for shooting doves out of season.

"Where did it happen, Ed?" I inquired.

"Near San Juan Capistrano."

"Ed, you know that we can't get a conviction down there on such an offense. The people of Capistrano feel that because they are always drafted to fight forest fires on nearby ranches that they've got the right to

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JANUARY IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

Vizcaino discovered the Carmel River, on January 3, 1603. He named it "Río del Carmelo" in honor of the Carmelite friars who accompanied his expedition.

Misión Santa Clara, eighth Franciscan mission in Alta California, was founded by Father Tomás de la Peña on January 12, 1777. It was named for St. Clare of Assisi.

On January 15, 1816, Thomas Doak, a sailor from the ship *Albatross*, landed at Refugio Rancho north of Santa Barbara, and became the first American settler in California.

Auguste Duhaute-Cilly, commanding the French ship *Le Héros*, arrived at San Francisco on January 27, 1827, in the course of a trading voyage around the world. After returning to France he published a book on his observations concerning California.

The Russian Colony at Fort Ross was formally abandoned on January 1, 1842. This marked the end of the Russian attempt to gain California.

The first issue of the first newspaper in San Francisco, the *California Star*, was published by Samuel Brannan on January 9, 1847.

Gold was discovered by James Wilson Marshall in the tail race of the sawmill he was building for John Sutter at Coloma on the American River. It was on January 24, 1848.

The first orphan asylum in California was founded January 31, 1851. It was called the "San Francisco Orphan Asylum."

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ON IMPERIAL HIGHWAY, a short distance northeast of its intersection with Firestone Boulevard, in Norwalk, stands the "17 Mile Stone." It marks the distance of 17 miles from Los Angeles on the old stage road to San Diego which was established in the Fifties. It is remarkable that such a monument should have survived the ravages of time as well as the aggressiveness of modern day "progress."

he acquired considerable land in the Norwalk area where he erected his inn.

Bland is described as being "a big man, gentle, impressive, and of great strength." All of his friends assumed that he was a confirmed bachelor for it was not until he was 41 years old that he found the girl of his choice. She was fifteen year old Nancy Worthington who lived with her parents at San Jacinto. Following a short and swift courtship the couple were

married and came to 17 Mile House to make their home. To them nine children were born, of whom Agnes Bland Lundy of Sacramento survives.

Many stories are told of Bland. He was a resourceful man. When freshets covered the bed of the "New River" with mud Sam knew that the stages could not cross the ford for several days unless he did something about it. With the help of several men he rounded up a large herd of horned cattle and drove them back and forth across the stream until the river bed was firm enough to support the wheels of the stages. In this man-

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Mrs. Mary Berry, Chairman of the History and Landmarks Committee Cien Años Parlor No. 303, has done much research on the history of Los Angeles County.

the land upon which the pioneer, Samuel Bland, once operated his well known "17 Mile House," a welcome landmark for stagedrivers who watered their horses at its ample troughs while they and their passengers refreshed themselves with food and drink provided at the bountiful table of the hospitable Bland.

Samuel Bland, a native of Maine, had come to California in 1852 at the age of 18. After freighting in the Feather River country he worked for the United States Geodetic Survey. Upon coming to southern California



Dedication of 17 mile stone. From left: Pat Hansbarger, Mary Berry, Will Fanning, Mabel Hill, Mayor Ray Reynolds and Diana Roberts. Boys in front from left: Leila Leone's son, a fourth generation Californian; other boy is a sixth generation descendant of Daniel Boone.

A MONUMENT TO FORESIGHT

by Ann S. Dippel



GOLDEN GATE PARK in San Francisco is a horticultural wonder of the world. This wonderland of today is indeed a far cry from the windswept wasteland of sand dunes, rocky knolls and seepage ponds of 89 years ago. The park was acquired back in 1868 at a cost of \$800,000. The purchase was classed by many as a crack pot idea. Neighboring communities jeeringly called the place San Francisco's "white elephant." Four stakes, they said, would be needed to support each blade of grass.

However modern gardening has transformed that wasteland into the flower lover's paradise it now becomes each spring when azaleas, camellias, cherry, quince, peach, and plum trees together with America's finest collection of rhododendrons all come into bloom. One of the most unusual things about this park is a negative fact: never in its history has it tolerated a "Keep Off the Grass" sign.

This horticultural miracle is the result of work by a great many tenacious and talented people, but two names stand out like giants: William Hammond Hall, the first Park engineer who originally conceived and designed the park essentially as it is now, and John McLaren who was appointed Park Superintendent in 1887 and who continued to guide the development of the Park for 56 years until his death in 1943.

A big factor in this botanical success story has been San Francisco climate. For most of the year, this is a springlike mixture of warm sun, cool air and moist fog, with enough winter rain to make the non-native plants feel at home.

Statistically, Golden Gate Park occupies 1017.40 acres, is 3 miles long and ½ mile wide. It contains 15½ miles of drives and roads, 7½ miles of bridle paths and 27 miles of paths and trails. Each day some 4,000,000 gallons of water are used to maintain its lush greenness.

Culturally, the Park has the De Young Museum and Art Gallery. There is the Steinhart Aquarium, the second largest in the United States. This aquarium has over 10,000 fish, including many rare varieties of the Pacific. The California Academy of Sciences with specimens of more than 8,000 mammals, 57,000 birds, 69,000 reptiles and amphibians and



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From left: Leo Halley, Mrs. Henry (Ann) Dippel and Louis Sutter watch youngster try skill at casting.

more than a million insects reaches a million and a half people a year with its educational program.

One of the park's greatest attractions is the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens. In this tightly planted forty-acre area grow more than 5000 kinds of rare plants and trees from all over the world. Among the regions represented are South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Mexico, Central and South America, China, Japan, the Himalayas and the Mediterranean. Among the treasured specimens is a Campbell's magnolia tree, which is a native to the Himalayas at altitudes between 7,000 and 10,000 feet. It is thought to be the only specimen that has reached blooming maturity in the United States. Each February its hundreds of ten-inch pink blossoms unfold in a glorious array. Although "Keep off the Grass" signs are taboo in the rest of the park, the botanist-supervisor of the arboretum is allowed to post polite messages reading "Please stay on the Paths." Like the rest of the park the lush acreage on which

the arboretum stands was once a barren wilderness.

Not all of the park's plants are on display outdoors. The conservatory, an enormous hothouse, comes by its old fashioned Victorian appearance naturally. Built by Lord and Burnham, of Irvington, New York, it was modeled after the conservatory in Great Britain's Kew Gardens. On its arrival in San Francisco, after a voyage around the Horn, three tons of putty were required to assemble it in the park.

Immediately in front of the Conservatory is 510 square feet of sloping ground. Here San Francisco salutes visiting organizations with unique floral designs. This is an art practiced in few other places in the world. For instance, a Knights Templar emblem kept five men busy for three days, and used almost 20,000 bedding plants in eight varieties. Once in place, they formed a mounted knight bearing a shield on which a Maltese cross was worked in detail.

Perhaps the Temple of Music, which overlooks the concourse, best expresses the park's history and spirit. It was the gift of Claus Spreckles. From the orchestral niche, which can accommodate 100 musicians, the Temple of Music faces an amphitheatre roofed with elms, lindens and sycamores. Since 1883, band concerts have been held every

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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LEE BLAISDELL-MONTEREY STUDIO PHOTO

Aerial view of Asilomar State Park

LOCATED ON THE Bay of Monterey and part of the City of Pacific Grove, lies Asilomar Hotel and Conference Grounds, established in 1913 by the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Association, and now the property of the State of California.

On July 1, 1956, at a dedication ceremony held in Merrill Hall, Asilomar, the keys of this property valued at \$700,000 were turned over by Mrs. Bartlett B. Heard, President of the Asilomar Foundation to Mayor Clarence A. Higgins of Pacific Grove. Pacific Grove must assume all responsibility for running the Conference Grounds so that no indebtedness would revert to the State of California. This climaxed a long and

often changing picture while the friends of Asilomar endeavored to save the property for public use.

During the dedication program Mrs. Frederic M. Paist, former president of the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Association, gave the history of the Conference Grounds. Mrs. Ralph T. Fisher and former vice president presented the deed from the National Board to the Hon. Joseph R. Knowland, Chairman of the State Park Commission. Mr. Knowland, a past grand president of the Native Sons of the Golden West, is among the many who worked to obtain this property for the State, and had it not been for his continued interest this might not have become a realization.

In order to make the sale to the State possible the YWCA donated half of the \$700,000 appraised value and the State paid the remaining half. With its willingness to assume responsibility for Asilomar, Pacific Grove is continuing a tradition of service. Pacific Grove itself started as a conference grounds and still maintains at least 18 park areas. It considers itself a quiet resort city, having no bars within its city limits, which includes Asilomar. The value to Asilomar of having Pacific Grove as its sponsor is in the police and fire protection of the City and now through the Pacific Grove-Asilomar Corporation, whereby the council of Pacific Grove meets separately to act as the directors of the Corporation, at no cost to the State.

Asilomar received its name in 1913 when the YWCA coined the name from a couple of Spanish words meaning "refuge" and "sea." Before that, the grounds were called Guardamar and were used only for picnics. They were owned by the Pacific Improvement Company, now Del Monte Properties. In 1913 the company made 30 acres of the property available to the YWCA and the first conference was held there that summer in tent houses, dining in a circus tent. Asilomar is properly pronounced "a sea lo mar," with the accent on the second syllable.

Over the years Asilomar has grown to more than 60 acres with 25 permanent buildings. Gone are the tents and the awnings that used to serve as protection in the longhouses and instead are windows and central heating. More than 50,000 people each year find comfortable, inexpensive accommodations there for conferences. Some of the rates are lower than \$6 per day including food and lodging and conference facilities. With its many classrooms and meeting places it is possible to house several conferences at one time or a large conference of more than 1,000. Nearby hotels and motels take care of the overflow numbers for sleeping. The Asilomar dining room, which seats 500 at one time, is run on relays to accommodate the entire conference. There is a coffee shop in conjunction with Crocker Hall to take care of transient guests not attending any conference and many people find this an inexpensive place to vacation.

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ASILOMAR

By Elmarie H. Dyke, P.G.P.

CALIFORNIA PLACE NAMES

ANDERSON

Anderson, in Shasta County, perpetuates the name of Elias Anderson who purchased a portion of Major Pierson B. Reading's Buena Ventura Rancho in the early 1850's. His holdings, which he named "The American Ranch," became a popular rendezvous for teamsters travelling between California and Oregon and to the Trinity mines.

He built a hotel which he called "The American House," situated about 1½ miles below the present railroad station of Anderson. Here a postoffice, called "American Ranch," was established on July 19, 1855.

In 1872 Anderson deeded a right of way through his land to the California and Oregon Railroad (now the Southern Pacific). The company named the station at his ranch, *Anderson*. A townsite was platted at the locality by J. J. Haggin and E. Frisbie and in 1878 the postoffice and hotel were moved to the town, the name of the former being changed to *Anderson*.

MILPITAS

Milpitas, a town in Santa Clara County, was founded in the 1850's and named after the Rancho Milpitas upon which it stands. It was so named by Joseph Rush Weller, an early pioneer from New Jersey. Originally it was called *Penitencia*.

The 4457 acre Rancho Milpitas was granted to José M. Alviso in 1835 by the Mexican government and confirmed to his heirs by the United States after the Mexican War.

The word, *Milpitas*, is the diminutive of "milpas," meaning "cornfields" and seems to refer to any kind of vegetable garden. It is derived from the Aztec word, "mili," meaning "a land sown with seed."

LIEBEL PEAK

Liebel Peak, in Kern County, is an 8,014 foot mountain named in the 1930's for Michael Otto Liebel, a prospector of German descent who entered the region in 1876. He settled at the base of the mountain, married an Indian girl and reared a family of eleven children. Sometimes the peak is spelled *Libel*.

Parlor Presents Flag



WHITTIER NEWS PHOTO

Martin Cole shown with oil portrait of Pio Pico, last Mexican Governor of California.

A large oil portrait of Pio Pico, last Mexican governor of California was presented by *Los Angeles Parlor No. 45*, N.S.G.W. to the Pio Pico State Monument at Whittier. Past Grand President Alfred P. Peracca was master of ceremonies. On behalf of the State, the painting was accepted by Alan D. Philbrook.

President Nina M. Littlefield and representatives of the Governor Pico Mansion Society and representatives

from various Parlors of Native Sons and Native Daughters of the Golden West assisted in the ceremonies.

Martin Cole, curator of the Pio Pico Monument, spoke on the life and times of Pio Pico. The program included colorful Spanish dances presented by the San Gabriel dance team. Early Spanish families were in attendance. Charles LaMonk, the artist who painted the portrait, was a guest.

In Memoriam

*Not lost to those that love them,
Not dead, just gone before;
They still live in our memory,
And will forever more.*

Rose Barnett Homeberg, Darina No. 114, September 22.
Maud Terrill, Fremont No. 59, September 24.
Mae Vesta Neilson, Ursula No. 1, October 10.
Sarah McCool, Anona No. 164, October 16.
Clara Manders Jones, James Lick No. 220, October 18.
Elsie Dower Tohnan, Annapola No. 80, September 30.
Mayme Bernard Harbridge, Bear Flag No. 151, September 8.
Annie Dynan Leon, Princess No. 84, October 22.
Agnes Faren Hughes, Alta No. 3, October 25.
Philippa Harris Reed, San Jose No. 81, October 26.

Emily B. Weihe, Ivy No. 88, October 22.
Angel DeMartini Schrinsher, Ivy No. 88, October 21.
Mary St. Clare Talbott, Tule Vista No. 305, October 20.
Elizabeth R. Dyer, Buena Vista No. 68, October 19.
Maud M. Johnson, Copa de Oro No. 105, November 2.
Rose Mary Gear Carrau, Morada No. 199, November 4.
Denise Mirassou Beech, El Pajaro No. 35, October 8.
Elizabeth Miller, Alta No. 3, October 30.
Elizabeth Harris, Sutter No. 111, November 7.
Edna Buckett Twitchell, Manzanita No. 29, November 9.
Josephine F. Gonzales, Vista del Mar No. 155, November 9.
Mary B. Williams, Donner No. 193, October 21.
Evelyn Hughes Pitman, Eschscholtzia No. 112, November 7.
Katherine Noonan Locke, Presidio No. 148, November 14.

The Grand President's Corner

Greetings from Irma M. Caton

A very Happy New Year to each member of the Native Daughters of the Golden West. May the year 1958 bring you much happiness, success and good health, and may you continue to enjoy your membership in our beloved Order.

Six months of my term as your Grand President has passed, and I have enjoyed travelling hundreds of miles, greeting and visiting with our many Sisters in such historical places as Etna, Shasta, Weaverville, Susanville, Standish, Alturas and many other such wonderful towns.

I am looking forward to the next six months of my term with anticipation to my visits in the southern

area of our State and to renewing and making new friendships with our many Sisters.

Have you made your New Years resolutions for 1958 to include the Native Daughters of the Golden West by working for the advancement of our Order, increasing our membership, being good active members and officers, and working for the many wonderful projects we sponsor, remembering always the principles upon which our Order was founded? If not, please give this some thought and I am sure you will find it a wonderful idea.

Start the New Year right by sending in your subscription to the "California Herald" so you may know what other Parlors over the State are doing.

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IRMA M. CATON

My sincere thanks to all for your many remembrances received during the Holiday Season.

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ITINERARY OF GRAND PRESIDENT

JANUARY

- 1 Tournament of Roses Parade.....Pasadena
- 9 Sequoia No. 272 and Albany No. 260.....°Berkeley
- 14 Afternoon—Alta No. 3 and La Estrella No. 89.....°San Francisco
- 14 Evening—Fairfax No. 225 and Tamelpa No. 231.....°Fairfax
- 15 El Carmelo No. 181.....°Daly City
- 17 El Pescadero No. 82, Phoebe A. Hearst No. 214.....°Tracy
- 18 Golden Gate No. 158 — 50th Anniversary Dinner.....San Francisco
- 21 Auburn No. 233.....°Auburn
- 24 El Cereso No. 207 and Hayward No. 122.....°San Leandro
- 25 Berkeley No. 150 — afternoon.....°Berkeley
- 27 Alila No. 321.....°Delano
- 29 Guajome No. 297, Las Flores del Mar No. 301 and San Diego No. 208.....°Escondido
- 30 Ontario No. 251, Lugonia No. 241 and Jurupa No. 296.....°Riverside

FEBRUARY

- 4 Sea Point No. 196 and Marinita No. 198.....°Sausalito
- 4 Vallejo No. 195.....°Vallejo
- 6 San Jose No. 81, Vendome No. 100 and Los Gatos No. 317.....°San Jose
- 12 Cerrito de Oro No. 306, Richmond No. 147 and Bear Flag No. 151.....°El Cerrito
- 13 Bonita No. 10.....°Redwood City
- 20 George C. Yount No. 322.....°Yountville
- 21 San Andreas No. 113, Ruby No. 46 and Princess No. 84.....°San Andreas
- 24 Mission Bell No. 316, Aleli No. 102 and Junipero No. 141.....°Soledad
- 26 Rudecinda No. 230, Rio Hondo No. 284, Cien Años No. 303, Compton No. 258 and Long Beach No. 154.....°Wilmington
- 27 Conchita No. 294, Santa Ana No. 235, Grace No. 242, and Silver Sands No. 286.....°Santa Ana
- 28 Los Angeles No. 124, Verdugo No. 240, Tierra del Rey No. 300, La Tijera No. 282, Beverly Hills No. 289 and Californiana No. 247.....°Culver City

Note: Official Visits are marked with an asterisk (°)

FLAGS PRESENTED

An American flag and the California Bear Flag were presented to Linden Union High School by Joaquin Parlor No. 5, N.D.G.W. Mrs. Lloyd Bresce, president, made the presentation. Others participating included Mmes. Stan Looper and Frank C. Lucchesi, Joaquin Parlor, N.D.G.W., and Italo Podesta, student body president. Taking part in the colorful ceremony were the school band and the color guard of the Cadet Corps.

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CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

A program honoring Children's Foundation was presented by Joaquin Parlor No. 5, Stockton. Mrs. James Segale, chairman of Children's Foundation presented the speaker, Dr. Dwayne Deakins, assistant administrator of San Joaquin County General Hospital.

Dr. Deakins showed pictures of the isolet, an incubator of the latest type and told of its great value in saving the lives of premature babies. He also explained the use of the "rocking bed" used with respiratory ills and polio. Dr. Deakins expressed gratitude on behalf of the hospital for these gifts to the hospital from Joaquin Parlor.

Juniors Hold Conference

THE FIFTH ANNUAL conference of the Junior Native Daughters of the Golden West convened in the Veterans Memorial Building, Santa Rosa, with the Santa Rosa Unit No. 31 serving as hostess.



MAXIÈNE PORTER

Grand President Irma M. Caton, guest of honor at the conference, extended greetings to the Juniors and members of the Order. Mrs. Caton has been very active in Junior activities in past years and expressed her interest in their continued growth and program advancement. "These young women later become excellent members of the Senior Parlor which sponsors their Unit and through their participation in offices of the Unit they are potential leaders in the future of the Native Daughters of the Golden West," Grand President Caton said. She urged Senior Parlors to increase their interest and cooperation with their Junior Units.

Mrs. Maxiène Porter, Grand Marshal and State Chairman of the Junior Native Daughters, was in charge of the conference. She was assisted by Ruth Smith and Phyllis Fare, advisors of the Santa Rosa unit, who were Conference chairmen. "I earnestly hope that this Conference has been successful in establishing a new goal for future conferences," Mrs. Porter said. "I believe the Juniors should be given more opportunity to assume leadership of the conferences, to be active in planning the type of conference to be held and to

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ALBERT "KAYO" HARRIS & ASSOCIATES PHOTO

"Suburbanettes," drill team of Las Amiguitas Unit No. 33, Junior Native Daughters of the Golden West.

The Suburbanettes

by Marge Woodward

"Suburbanettes," of Las Amiguitas Junior Unit No. 33, Walnut Creek, are the Junior drill team champions. The new championship team, organized in February, 1957, is composed of 21 members of Unit 33 of Walnut Creek. Parade leadership is shared by team Captain Joyce Gelhaus and Lieutenant Carol Stark. Members composing the drill unit are: Anna Oldano, Carol Ferry, Valerie Roberts, Karen Anderson, Pat Westervelt, Alice Bauman, Judy Mrack, Georgia and Carlene Stubblefield, Mary Schneider, Sue Auld, Barbara Corrigan, Bonnie Lewis, Nona Anderson, Charlene Cox, Joan Hail, Andrea Oliviera, Elena Adams and Lynne Anderson.

The instructor of the team is 1st Lt. Burke Woodward, U.S.A.R. and the manager is Mrs. Marge Woodward, former State Chairman of

Drill Teams and Junior Native Daughters.

This outstanding drill team has participated in seven parades and two field title contests. The Suburbanettes have won five first place and four second place awards and have received \$325 in cash prizes and one gold trophy. Their drill captain, Joyce Gelhaus, took honors as "best captain" and was awarded a gold medal in the Admission Day State Champions Competition. The team won the State Championship title for Junior Native Daughters and placed second in the Open State championship contest for all championship units in the State. At the Junior Conference at Santa Rosa they gave a thrilling exhibition performance.

If the Suburbanettes continue to improve they will without doubt make distinguished history in the field of drill corps competition.

ITINERARY OF OFFICIAL VISITS TO JUNIOR UNITS BY GRAND MARSHAL MAXIÈNE PORTER

Tues., Jan. 21	Eschcolita No. 26	Napa
Wed., Jan. 22	Las Hijitas No. 29	Red Bluff
Thurs., Jan. 23	Anderson No. 15	Anderson
Fri., Jan. 24	El Monte No. 30	Mountain View
Sat., Jan. 25	Fruitvale No. 22	Oakland
Sat., Feb. 8	Hayward No. 32	Hayward
Mon., Feb. 10	San Jose No. 23	San Jose
Mon., Feb. 17	Assistencia No. 20	San Bernardino

PARLOR ACTIVITIES



LEFT—Two fifty-year pins presented to members of Ivy Parlor No. 88. From left: Genevieve Hughes, Gwendolyn Fisher, Jessie Russell and Juanita Pope. **CENTER**—Vendome Parlor No. 100 celebrates sixtieth anniversary. From left: Irma M. Caton, Grand President, N.D.G.W.; Frances Duarte, President of Vendome Parlor; Margaret Farnsworth, P.G.P. and Chairman of the evening. **RIGHT**—San Pedro Native Sons and Daughters jointly sponsor a spaghetti dinner. From left: Estelle Pedrotti, deputy grand president N.D.G.W., samples spaghetti made by Frank Colello, past president of Stephen M. White Parlor N.S.G.W., with Alice J. Parker, president of Rudecinda Parlor N.D.G.W., seasoning the tempting dish.

IVY PARLOR

Two members of Ivy Parlor No. 88, N.D.G.W. were presented with 50 year pins. Gwendolyn Fisher was presented the pin by her cousin, Genevieve Hughes, a past president of the Parlor. Mrs. Fisher, whose mother, Louise Dougherty, was a charter member, joined the Parlor at the age of 18. She has held every office except that of president.

Juanita Pope, who will soon be a 50 year member also, made the presentation to Jessie Russell. Mrs. Russell recalled the days when she was Deputy Grand Preident in 1912. Her official visit to Stockton then was an overnight trip. They rode in a carryall.

Eudora Rede, Deputy Grand President and other members from Stockton Parlor No. 256 were guests. During the business session it was reported that a crate of grapes was sent to the Native Daughters Home in San Francisco. Later, games and refreshments were enjoyed. Hostesses included Rose Kern and Alice Felton, chairmen, assisted by Mesdames Flanders, Young and Strange.

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Scepticism is slow suicide.—Emerson.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Vendome Parlor No. 100 N.D.G.W. of San Jose, celebrated its Sixtieth Anniversary in the Gold Room of the DeAnza Hotel. About 300 members, husbands and friends attended. Past Grand President and State Chairman of the Native Daughter Foundation Fund, Miss Jewel McSweeney, was the delightful speaker for the occasion. She was presented by Past Grand President and Chairman for the evening, Margaret Farnsworth of Vendome Parlor.

The Native Daughter Foundation Fund was organized just after the close of the Homeless Children Project which was handled for many years by the organization. The Foundation is made up of Native Daughters who help Mr. and Mrs. America. "The Foundation Fund is not a charitable organization," said Past Grand President McSweeney, "but it has done much toward helping the American home and has given assistance in children's needs. A helping hand over a rough spot has been given to over 300 children in the State this year."

At the conclusion of her address, she was presented with a check for

\$60.00 by Chairman Farnsworth from Vendome Parlor in memory of its founder, Miss Tillie Brohaska. Past President Sue Mattei also presented a check of \$50.00 from Vendome Past Presidents' Club in memory of Miss Brohaska and of Past Grand President Mamie Pierce Carmichael, first recording secretary of Vendome Parlor. Past Presidents of the organization were hostesses for the evening.

The speakers' table was beautifully decorated by Past Presidents Ada Fox Carabal and Amalia Vella. A flower arrangement of red, white and yellow carnations was presented from members of El Pajaro and Santa Cruz Parlors. At the time of the institution of the Parlor in 1897, Grand President Conrad sent as her authorized representatives Miss Dora Zmudowske of El Pajaro Parlor No. 35, Watsonville, and Georgia Colter Ryan of Buena Vista Parlor No. 68, San Francisco.

Among the distinguished guests at the Speakers' table were Grand President Irma M. Caton who responded to the welcome given by Past Grand President Margaret Farnsworth, and Merrill Hollenbak, of Observatory

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Parlor No. 177, N.S.G.W., who represented Grand Officer William Burke. Other dignitaries present were Past Grand Presidents Bertha Briggs and Estelle Evans; Grand Secretary Sallie R. Thaler; Grand Trustees Alice Shea, Edna Williams, Josephine Sullivan, Dorothy Helm and Wealthy Falk; Grand Inside Sentinel Rhoda Roelling and Grand Outside Sentinel Fern Adams.

Among other officers present were Mesdames Myrtle Hobbs, Sue Engfer, Margaret Freitas, Elayne Shuman, and Louise Lake. Wayman Banker represented the Native Sons of *San Jose* Parlor No. 22. Several visitors were present including Matilda Moak, Charter member for 63 years and Augusta Singleton, a member for 53 years, both of *San Jose* Parlor.

PARLORS SPONSOR DINNER

Members of *Rudecinda* Parlor No. 230 N.D.G.W., joint sponsors with the Native Sons of *Stephen M. White* Parlor, served a successful spaghetti dinner at Red Men's Hall, San Pedro. More than 300 guests were served.

Co-chairmen of the dinner were Alice Belcher and Estelle Pedrotti assisted by Alice J. Parker, parlor president and Mesdames Johnson, Beckstead, Wheeler, O'Neil, Audella Kordich, Reese, Kreider, Mumford, Brumela and Darlene Kordich. Frank Colello, past president of *White Parlor* had charge of the cooking. Assisting him were Louise Criso, Jim Stanley, Martin Slavich, Lou Molle, Marion Ostrich and Tony Ivella.

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VENTURA COUNTY

Members of the three Ventura County Parlors: *El Aliso* No. 314, *Las Tres Vistas* No. 302 and *Poinsettia* No. 316 joined in planting California poppy seed around picnic areas and hillside surrounding Santa Felicita Dam near Piru in Ventura County. The group then enjoyed a family picnic.



Shirley Carter, charter member and Past President of *El Aliso* Parlor originated the idea.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

The annual Christmas Party of *James Lick* Parlor was held in Druids Temple, San Francisco. It was a festive night — election of officers for next year, the introduction of a new member, and exchange of gifts.

At the close of the entertainment hot apple pie with vanilla topping was served with coffee. Chairmen for the evening were Lena Sand and Ann Shaughnessy. Husbands and children were guests of the Parlor.

DOLORES PARLOR

Dolores Parlor No. 169, N.D.G.W., San Francisco, has manifested interest in hospitalized veterans since World War I. Under the chairmanship of Clare Maguire, a large assortment of Christmas gifts were prepared for the men at the Presidio Letterman General Hospital.

Recently one of the members, Mrs. James Lyon was presented a 15 year service pin by the local chapter of the American Red Cross. She has given at least one day each week for Red Cross work.

On January 16, *Dolores* Parlor will celebrate its 49th anniversary. Miss Audrey Colm is in charge of arrangements.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY

SDDGP Frances Simas and the San Francisco County Deputy Grand Presidents N.D.G.W. found a dinner with all the trimmings when they arrived at the El Portal restaurant across from Golden Gate Park. Chairman DGP Helen McCarthy and her committee presented a real old fashioned Christmas party with games, carol singing and the exchange of gifts. At the close of the gift exchange SDDGP Frances Simas was presented with a surprise gift from her twenty-six girls. The Deputy Grand Presidents extend the Greetings for 1958 to all Native Daughters and their families.

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If you want to know what is meant by a spitting image, try feeding cereal to a baby.

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**BE THE BEST OF
WHATEVER YOU ARE**

If you can't be a pine on the top of a hill,

Be a scrub in the valley — but be
The best little scrub at the side of
the rill;

Be a bush if you can't be a tree,

We can't all be captains, we've got
to crew,

There's something for all of us here.
There's big work to do, and there's
lesser to do,

And the task we must do is the near.

If you can't be a highway, then just
be a trail,

If you can't be the sun, be a star.

It isn't by size that you win or you
fail

Be the best of whatever you are.

—Hallie Michelsen
(Past President of El
Carmelo Parlor)

Peter B. Kyne

With the death of Peter B. Kyne, California has lost one of its most popular writers and favorite sons. Born in San Francisco on October 12, 1880, he lived most of his life in his native city.

After attending the local schools and a business college, Kyne obtained a job in a general merchandise store, working a 15 hour day at a salary of \$20 a month. In their book, *Twentieth Century Writers*, Kunitz and Haycraft said of Kyne, "he loved to sell things and instinctively felt that he had failed if a man refused to buy overalls two inches too long merely because the store hadn't the regular size in stock."

Kyne quit work to enlist in the Army during the Spanish-American War and Philippine Rebellion. After his military service he spent seven years in a lumber and shipping office in San Francisco. He worked actively with Andrew Furuseth, well known labor leader, for the passage of the LaFollette Seaman's Bill.

He had many interests. At various times during his life he invested unsuccessfully in gold mines. He invented a combination hot water bottle and ice pack with a "center of gravity." When this project failed he bought a farm and raised Holstein-Friesian cattle and Duroc-Jersey hogs.

Kyne married in 1910 and thereupon commenced his career as an author. He once said that "the world lost a good salesman when I became a writer." Of all the characters which appear in his books the best known is "Cappy Ricks," the old sea dog of the "Blue Star Navigation Company." Although Cappy Ricks is a composite picture of many seafaring men whom Kyne knew, he is generally associated with the name of Captain Robert Dollar, founder of the steamship company now known as the American President Lines.

Among Kyne's well-known books are *Cappy Ricks*, *Cappy Ricks Comes Back*, *Cappy Ricks Special*, *Valley of the Giants* and *Tide of Empire*. Of his 25 novels 12 were best sellers. He authored more than 1,000 short stories and articles. Kyne once declared that he had financed more bums and had more fun than any contemporary writer.

He interspersed his writing career with many activities. In addition to his hobbies of hunting and fishing he had a great love for horse racing. In 1934 he became president of the California Jockey Club and with his brother William he was a major factor in the building of the Bay Meadows Race Track at San Mateo. He died at the Veterans Administration Hospital in San Francisco on November 25, following an operation for cancer.

HOW VENDOME PARLOR GOT ITS NAME

In the summer of 1897, Grand President Belle W. Conrad appointed Miss Tillie Brohaska organizer for Vendome Parlor No. 100. With 30 names on the charter petition list, preliminary meetings necessary for election of charter officers were held in the old Hotel Vendome, located in the 500 block of North First Street, San Jose.

The courtesy of meeting at the hotel was extended to Miss Brohaska who played in "Brohaska's Orchestra" which entertained guests of the hotel. In appreciation for the management's courtesy and hospitality, the charter members voted to adopt the name "Vendome" in honor of the hotel.

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JUNIOR CONFERENCE . . .

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be given more time to discuss their mutual problems and achievements as well as to become better acquainted."

Three workshops were held during the afternoon session by the Juniors while Mrs. Porter held a meeting of Advisors and members of Senior Parlors. The three workshop sessions were on Conferences, Planning and Conduct; Membership and Programming; and Junior Activities, Social and Civic. Junior leaders were Pat McInerney, president of *El Monte* Unit No. 30; Dolores Sanchez, president of *Argonaut* Unit No. 3 and Lois Cinquini, president of *Menlo* Unit No. 10.

One hundred ninety-two Juniors attended the Conference as well as sixty-four adults. Fifteen of the sixteen Junior Units were represented. This is the largest Junior Attendance and most Units represented in the history of the Conference.

Clandia Evans, Vice Chairman of the State Committee for Junior Native Daughters and Advisor of the *Argonaut* Junior Unit No. 3 opened the Conference. *Argonaut* Unit conducted the escort work. Grand President Irma M. Caton, Grand Marshal and State Chairman Maxiene Porter, Grand Secretary Sallie Thaler, Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees Alice Shea; Grand Trustee Edna Williams and Past Grand Presidents Evelyn Carlson, Doris Gerrish, Orinda Giannini, Ann Theusen and Mae Noonan were escorted.

Hayward Unit No. 32 conducted the opening ceremonies and the Color Guard of *Las Amiguitas* Unit No. 33 presented the colors. Initiation was given by the *San Jose* Unit No. 23. The business session was under the direction of *El Monte* Unit No. 30 and closing ceremonies were conducted by *Menlo* Unit No. 10. Other Units participated in various activities as follows: Registration, *Santa Rosa* Unit No. 31; Ticket sale for luncheon and banquet, *Sequoia* Unit No. 27 and *Santa Rosa* Unit No. 31; luncheon hostesses, *Assistencia* Unit No. 20, *Las Plumas* Unit No. 28 and *Las Hijitas* Unit No. 29; Community singing, *Fruitvale* Unit No. 22, as well as gift presentations; Banquet decorations, *Eshcolita* Unit No. 26; Hall Decorations, *Santa Rosa* Unit No. 31 and

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Welfare March, Palomar Unit No. 24, assisted by *Asistencia* Unit No. 20.

San Francisco Unit No. 6 had been invited to exemplify the installation ceremonies, but in the interest of other activities and limited time withdrew this part of the program.

The Press Book awards were first award: \$15, to *Santa Rosa* Unit No. 31; second award: \$10, to *Argonaut* Unit No. 3.

The essay contest winners were as follows: First Subject: Twelve Flags of California, 1st award: \$15, to Louise Wallace, *Sequoia* Unit No. 27; 2nd award: \$10, to Gloria Kearby, *Santa Rosa* Unit No. 31. Second Subject: Ghost Towns of California, 1st award: \$15, to Catherine Maher, *Fruitvale* Unit No. 22; 2nd award: \$10, to Erna Tutt, *Santa Rosa* Unit No. 31; 3rd award: \$5, to Linda Steward, *Sequoia* Unit No. 27.

The Welfare March was held for Missions Seledad Restoration and the proceeds of \$31 were presented to Past Grand President Orinda Giamini, state chairman. The *Las Amiguitas* Unit No. 33 drill team put on an excellent exhibition following the luncheon. The Saturday session was followed with a banquet and dance. On Sunday there was a tour to historic spots in the area, including Sonoma Mission and General Vallejo's home, where a picnic lunch was enjoyed.

During intermission at the dance, Roberta Sabatini, *Argonaut* Unit No.

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3, presented a colorful "This is Your Life, Irma Caton" which was excellent and enjoyed by all. Miss Sabatini wrote the script and served as master of ceremonies. She was assisted by members of *Argonaut* Unit and many other Units.

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JUNIOR UNIT INSTITUTED

Las Florescitas Junior Unit No. 34, sponsored by *Sequoia* Parlor No. 272, Berkeley, was instituted in the Palm Room of the Y.M.C.A.

Mrs. Irma M. Caton, Grand President conducted the institution ceremonies of the Junior N.D.G.W., assisted by Grand Marshal Maxine Porter, State Chairman.

Mrs. Loretta Lee Carlo of *Sequoia* Parlor was the organizer of the Unit and will serve as Advisor. Institution plans were made with the assistance of Claudia Evans, Vice Chairman of the state committee, and former State Chairman Edna Williams, Grand Trustee.

Miss Toni Navarro will serve as president of the new Junior Unit.

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ADVISORY CHANGES - JUNIOR UNITS

Argonaut Unit No. 3, Oakland—Advisor: Mrs. Claudia Evans, 1515 Belvidere, Berkeley.
Asistencia Unit No. 20, San Bernardino—Advisor: Mrs. Martha Canington, 4595 D Street, San Bernardino.

San Jose Unit No. 23, San Jose—Advisor: Mrs. Rose Asgaard, 233 W. 3 Street, San Jose.

Palomar Unit No. 24, San Diego—Advisor: Mrs. Anna Summards, 3800 31 Street, San Diego.
Sequoia Unit No. 27, Redwood City—Advisor: Mrs. Madeline Wallace, 315 Santa Clara Ave., Redwood City.

Las Plumas Unit No. 28, Oraville—Advisor: Mrs. Maxine Gow, 1943 Campbell Ave., Oroville.
Santa Rosa Unit No. 31, Santa Rosa—Advisor: Mrs. Ruth Smith, 3243 Magawman Dr., Santa Rosa.

Las Amiguitas Unit No. 33, Walnut Creek—Advisor: Mrs. Marge Woodward, 2464 Casa Way, Walnut Creek.

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The Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association named Miss May Sutton, woman tennis champion of the world, as queen of the tournament which was held on New Year's Day fifty years ago.

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More than 200 N.D.G.W. members were present to greet Irma M. Caton, Grand President, as she made her official visit to the six parlors of the 21st District, Contra Costa county. Parlors participating in this "Indian Summer" meeting, which was held in Pittsburg, were *Stirling* No. 146 as hosts; *Donner* No. 193; *Las Juntas* No. 221; *Antioch* No. 223; *Carquinez* No. 310 and *Las Amigas* No. 311.

Wearing pastel green formals and forming an arch of crossed Indian arrows, the drill team of *Las Juntas* provided the escort for Mrs. Caton. Escorted also were Junior P.G.P. Audrey Brown; Grand Secretary, Sallie Thaler; Grand Trustees: Edna Williams, Josephine Sullivan, Wealthy Falk, and Dorothy Helm; Grand Inside Sentinel, Rhoda Roelling; Past Grand Presidents: Evelyn Carlson, Ann Thuesen, and Jewel McSweeney; Supervising district deputy for District 21, Vera Kleckner. Deputies from the district escorted were Helen Felt, Clarine Brusatori, Edith Davis, Gloria Santos and Eleanor Hogan.

Thirteen candidates were initiated by a degree team made up of the officers of the six parlors.

Mrs. Caton and Mrs. Kleckner were presented gifts from the participating parlors. Individual parlors made donations to the N.D.G.W. Children's Foundation, the Mission Soledad and Mission San José Restoration funds and the N.D.G.W. Home.

Indian drums containing gilded dried grasses carried out the theme "Indian Summer." Each parlor's officers and candidates were identified by corsages of one of the six fall colors used in decorating.

Parlors handling arrangements were *Stirling*, decorations; *Antioch*, invitations; *Carquinez*, programs; *Donner*, refreshments; *Las Amigas*, gifts and *Las Juntas*, escort team.

N.D.G.W. TEA

Yerba Buena Parlor No. 273, N.D.G.W., gave a delightful tea at the Podesta Baldocchi Nursery, 2525 California Street, San Francisco. The beautiful flower arrangements were the artistic work of Podesta Baldocchi.

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Grand President N.D.G.W., Irma M. Caton of *Argonaut Parlor* No. 166, Oakland, and other Grand Officers will be present. Further information concerning reservations will be forwarded to the Parlors. Co-chairmen in charge of this gala event are Mrs. Minnie Silva and Joe Perez.

NATIVE SON PARTY

Santa Ana Parlor No. 74, N.S.G.W. enjoyed a delightful family Christmas party and turkey dinner at Friedmann Hall, Orange. Chairman of the affair was Red Carson assisted by Herb Bandy, Walter Ridge, Walt Gisler, A. C. McMillen and Fred Rosenbaum. Don Johnson was responsible for the children's Christmas treat.

Parlor President, Cyrus Palmer Jr. acted as master of ceremonies. The program began with group singing of Christmas carols. Kenneth and Cheryl Leja played accordion solos and duets including "White Christmas," followed by Janet Palmer singing "Oh, You Beautiful Doll." She was accompanied by her grandmother. Jim Friis, Parlor Organist, concluded the program with "A Christmas Wreath," a medley of Christmas carols and an original composition using the theme "Three Blind Mice" to illustrate trends of music history from the 18th century minuet to the present day Rhythm and Blues and Calypso.

Gifts and candy were presented to the children. Before rushing on to the next party, Santa also presented gifts to the winners of the drawings.

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Teacher Honored

Mrs. Grace Halsey Williamson was honored by members of *Placerita* Parlor No. 277, N.D.G.W. with a luncheon at the Tick Tock in Toluca Lake in recognition of 40 years of teaching in the California schools. Hostesses were Mrs. John Rumsey and Miss Dorothy Dye.

Since 1925 Mrs. Williamson has taught at Van Nuys High School in the San Fernando Valley. As a charter member of *Placerita* Parlor she has watched it grow with many of its members being students from her own classes at Van Nuys high school.

Born in Needles, of pioneer parents, Mrs. Williamson has taken a great deal of interest in the history, geography and literature of California. She has woven her interests in her teaching and vacation intervals. In the early days of teaching she traveled with her little "Chevy" roadster into every one of the 58 counties of California. She hiked with the Sierra Club on hundreds of primitive mountain trails in the Sierra Nevada and climbed Mt. Whitney, Half-Dome and Cathedral Peak in Yosemite Valley and many other high peaks. She has toured all through the picturesque gold mining camps in the mother lode country. In her teaching of creative writing, her favorite subject, she frequently used California themes.

She has always had an enthusiastic attitude toward the various public speaking contests on California subjects. For the past five years she has been on the Native Daughter Public Speaking committee for the college contests. "Newcomers to California need to know more about the history of our wonderful state" she declares, "if our significant and beautiful traditions are to be preserved."

While chairman of History and Landmarks of *Placerita* Parlor, Mrs. Williamson encouraged participation in the Pioneer-mother essay contests and two of her proteges, Mrs. Harry Pitts and Mrs. Bertha Bruce, won first place in the Statewide contests. She also arranged to present at each Native Daughter meeting, individual family histories, many of them going back to the covered wagon days. Mrs. Williamson's father helped build the Santa Fe Railroad into California but stopped at Needles

and opened up an Indian Trading Post.

In 1914 she was graduated from the first class at Los Angeles Junior College (which is now U.C.L.A.) with a graduation class of four! Now that she is retired she is planning to finish her masters degree at U.C.L.A.

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ASILOMAR . . .

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A list of the groups which have met at Asilomar reads like a roster of the human race. They range through the alphabet from agriculturalists, bankers and Buddhists to youth groups and zoologists. The California Youth Authority and many farm and religious organizations meet there annually. Among the more colorful groups are the folk dancers and square dancers. Merrill Hall, although seating 1000, has new comfortable cushioned folding chairs that can be removed so that the hall can be used for dancing or for lodge floor work. The Chapel also has new chairs and now seats about 500.

Many people have helped Asilomar grow, as is evident in the names of the various buildings. Mrs. Phoebe Apperson Hearst, mother of the late publisher, William Randolph Hearst, was the earliest contributor. She donated the tents and bedding for the first conferences and later gave several thousand dollars. The administration building was named for her. Mrs. Bartlett Heard led the early fight to keep the YWCA from selling Asilomar to possibly undesirable buyers and has worked quietly behind the scenes for the past several years to negotiate the transfer of the Asilomar to State ownership.

Newton B. Drury, chief of the division of beaches and parks, who first offered to take Asilomar into the state park system, worked with Joseph R. Knowland and stuck to his position even though the administration, after Governor Earl Warren left California, strongly opposed the plan to buy the grounds. Pacific Grove people formed a "Save Asilomar" committee in 1952 when the grounds were almost sold for an old folk's home. For such a quiet place it has had a rather turbulent time as the plans of the state to buy were first off and then on again.

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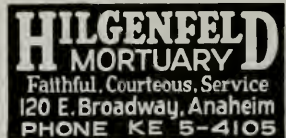
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Essentially, Asilomar is a place for serious thought, meditation, frank exchange of ideas, together with a place to have relaxation and fun. It is what its name implies, a refuge by the sea. California has indeed added another valuable place to its park system, one with many intrinsic values that will prove of great worth to coming generations.

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GOLDEN GATE PARK . . .

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The Japanese Tea Garden in Golden Gate Park dates back to 1893, when following a nation wide depression, the California Mid-Winter Exposition was opened with the idea of facilitating a business revival in San Francisco. One of the backers of the Exposition was an Australian named George Turner Marsh. Before coming to San Francisco, where in

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One of the laborers employed to work in the Garden was Makoto Hagiwara, a Japanese who displayed such ability for the work that in 1910 the Commission turned the tea garden over to him as a concession. Later Hagiwara and his family built their home there and his children continued its operation after his death until 1942. Later the tea house and gift shop concession were leased to others.

The garden is entered through the tall arched gateway made of hundreds of hand-carved pieces of wood which has become a treasured San Francisco landmark. Other features are the Moon Bridge, a model Japanese dwelling which contains the gift shop, a gigantic bronze Buddha which is said to be the largest ever to leave the Orient, and a many tiered Temple which dominates the highest elevation in the garden.

Katherine Wilson in her book "Golden Gate: The Park of a Thousand Vistas" says, "When the air is sweet with the perfume of lilies and iris, and blows in swirls of peach and cherry blossoms, the garden is a place of enchantment in any language!"

January 10, 1953, was a memorable date in the history of the Japanese Tea Garden when Yasusuko Katsuno, Japanese Consul General, acted as host during formal ceremonies of a 9000-pound Lantern of Peace and a new classical garden were presented to San Francisco by Japan. The Lantern of Peace was purchased from the small contributions of the school children of Japan as a symbol of friendship to the new generations of the United States.

San Franciscans are a tradition-loving people and Golden Gate Park, now nearly a century old, is definitely a tradition.

17 MILE STONE . . .

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ner regular transportation schedules were maintained.

There were exciting times, too. On one occasion robbers came to 17 Mile House intent upon holding up the stage which was soon due. Unarmed, Sam moved quickly. He knocked both men into a horse trough and kept them in it until the stage arrived. This incident was later used in a motion picture starring Will Rogers.

Bland loved horses and horse racing and reputedly always disposed of any steed that lost a contest. Horses were raced on a circular track on his ranch as well as on a track later built in Norwalk by Atwood Sproul. He passed away in 1904. It was men such as he that developed the West.

His daughter, Mrs. Lundy, has a picture of 17 Mile House. The copy furnished is not very distinct, but in the lower right corner is shown a San Diego bound stage just crossing the La Verde Creek on its way to the inn. The picture was painted in the Seventies by an itinerant French artist whom Bland had hired to paint his buggies, carts and wagons. According to Mrs. Lundy it authentically shows her father's ranch at that time.

17 Mile House has long since disappeared. *Cien Años* Parlor No. 303 decided to take action to preserve the 17 Mile Stone. M. B. Berry and Ronald Bone were enlisted to build the cinder block enclosure about the monument.

On October 8, 1957, the stone was formally dedicated with Mrs. Bryan Berry serving as mistress of ceremonies. The Flags were presented by Girl Scouts Norma Hansberger and Deana Roberts who served as a color guard. Jack Rubin and Steve Crane rendered musical numbers. The Rev. William Opitz pronounced the invocation. Mrs. Jim Ward, President of *Cien Años* Parlor, gave the address of welcome, after which Mrs. Berry presented a history of the monument. The marker was formally presented by Mrs. Ward and accepted by Norwalk Mayor Ray Reynolds who responded appropriately.

The work of Native Daughter Parlors in preserving historical mementoes such as 17 Mile Stone is rewarded by the appreciation ex-

pressed throughout the State by both residents and visitors.

A man was giving some advice to his son. At the end of a rather stern lecture, he said: "Now, my boy, you understand perfectly what I mean?"

"Yes," replied the boy, "what it boils down to is this: If I do well it's because of heredity, and if I fail it's my own fault."

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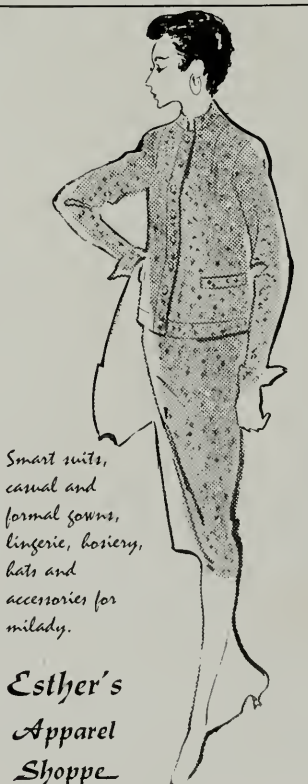
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AT THE BAR . . .

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hunt on those ranches anytime they want to."

"That's right," was the reply, "but this case is different. This man is a foreigner."

"What do you mean?"

"Well, anybody that doesn't live in Capistrano is a foreigner. I'm sure we can win this case."

"All right. You can have the complaint."

Later I went to San Juan Capistrano to try the case. As usual, a large crowd had gathered for the trial. I was cordially welcomed by Judge "Jack" Landell and was introduced to the defendant's lawyer who was a lady.

A jury was empanelled and the case tried. At its conclusion I made my opening address which was followed with a summation by the lady attorney. She made an excellent speech in which she extolled the Constitution and paid an impassioned tribute to our rights as American citizens. In particular she dwelt on the right of a jury trial which "our ancestors had fought for." Maybe her ancestors had so fought, but most of the jurors were descendants of a people who didn't know much about juries. Nevertheless, her efforts were rewarded with polite applause.

I then made my closing address. Referring to the lady's excellent remarks on our Bill of Rights I said, "I, too, am proud that I am an American and have these rights, but there is another thing which I wish I were able to say. I wish I could say that I was born in San Juan Capistrano. That would make me doubly proud!"

The effect was electrifying. The jurors clapped their hands wildly, whistled and stamped on the floor. I sat down.

A few minutes later the jurors went out to deliberate and in a few minutes more returned with a verdict of guilty. It was nothing that I or the lady said that prompted their decision. Without question the facts showed the defendant to be guilty — and he was a "foreigner." — L.J.F.

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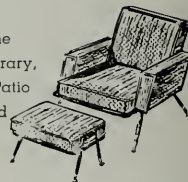
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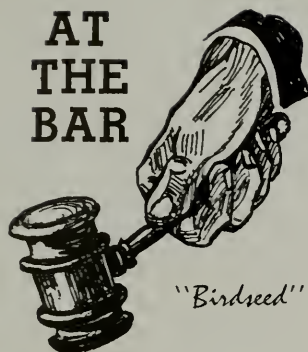
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AT THE BAR



"Birdseed"

A number of years ago a radio comedian delighted his audiences with fantastic stories of the Baron Munchausen variety. After he had related one of his fabulous tales the "straight man" on the show would challenge the truth of his obvious exaggerations. Invariably he would receive the reply, "Vas you there, Sharley?"

Many years ago, when I served in the Orange County District Attorney's office, I learned that many people shared this simple philosophy. Occasionally circumstances tended to support them in their mental gymnastics.

In those days officers occasionally discovered a healthy marihuana plant growing in some Mexican's backyard. When confronted with the evidence the accused man would profess amazement that a weed, three or four feet in height, and apparently being well cultivated and watered, should have escaped his notice. He rarely denied knowing that the plant was marihuana.

Instead, he had a better explanation. He declared that his wife had a canary and that she always cleaned its cage exactly at the place where the marihuana was growing. No doubt some bird seed had fallen to the ground and had taken root! It was not a bad story because in those days bird food did contain Indian Hemp seed from which marihuana grows. Owners of canaries twenty years ago will remember that their pets eagerly sought out the round, black hemp seeds and ate them first.

Everyone knew that it would be highly improbable for any hemp seed to escape a canary, but it seemed a reasonable defense, particularly when there was only one plant growing on the premises.

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FEBRUARY IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

On February 21, 1824 the Indian neophytes of the Central California Missions initiated a revolt against the missionaries with uprisings at Misión Santa Inés and Misión La Purísima Concepción. The dissatisfaction spread to Misión Santa Barbara on February 22. Buildings were burned at Santa Inés and casualties included four white and seven Indians at La Purísima.

On February 22, 1845 after the Spanish-Californian insurgents defeated Manuel Micheltorena, Don Pio Pico succeeded as ad interim governor and moved the capital to Los Angeles.

The Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo was signed February 2, 1848 at Guadalupe Hidalgo, Mexico, by representatives of the United States and of Mexico, thus ending the Mexican War. New Mexico, California, Nevada, Utah and most of Arizona and a part of Colorado were ceded by Mexico to the United States. The Rio Grande and thence to the Pacific, south of San Diego were then accepted as the boundary lines between the two nations.

On February 18, 1850 California's original counties, 27 in number, were created by act of the first California Legislature. This was done before California was admitted to the Union.

The fifth session of the California State Legislature on February 25, 1854 permanently located the State capital at Sacramento.

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Modjeska Comes To California

by Leo F. Friis



T. K. M. SMITH PHOTO

Statue of Madame Helena Modjeska in Anaheim City Park in her favorite role of Mary, Queen of Scots. It is the work of sculptor Eugene Meire-Kreig and was obtained for the city through the efforts of Louis Danz, art critic, author and composer.

DURING THE LAST CENTURY this country experienced a rash of Utopian colonies of which California had its fair share. Some of these societies were composed of religious cultists. Others were based on some economic premise. All hoped for the idyllic life.

One of the most interesting of these groups was a Polish colony which established itself in Anaheim

in 1876. Among its leaders were the famous actress, Madame Helena Modjeska, her husband Count Charles Bozenta Chlapowski (commonly known as Count Bozenta) and Henryk Sienkiewicz who would later write the immortal "Quo Vadis." Madame Modjeska came to California with the avowed intention of living the "simple" life. Instead, she found herself in the middle of a com-

plicated experience which she later remembered as a deliciously humorous experience.

The idea of emigrating to America had budded from a physician's suggestion that a sea voyage would improve Madame Modjeska's health. She was in need of a complete rest after eight years of stardom at the Imperial Theatre of Warsaw. Count Bozenta suggested that the family might round out its tour by visiting the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia and then go to Niagara Falls and other places of interest.

Emigration Plans

Plans for the vacation trip progressed with enthusiasm. Friends proffered advice. Groups met at the Chlapowski home to discuss the voyage. As the weeks sped by the idea developed of leaving the homeland for good. Talk turned to "the possibility of settling down somewhere in the land of freedom, away from the daily vexations to which every Pole was exposed in Russian and Prussian Poland."

Henryk Sienkiewicz was the first to propose emigration. Several other friends embraced the suggestion and Count Bozenta conceived the idea of forming a small colony in California. The project flourished in the fertile minds of the collaborators. In her memoirs, Madame Modjeska recalled, "What visions of freedom, peace and happiness flitted across our brains! I was to give up the stage and live in the midst of nature, perhaps in a tent! I imagined all sorts of things except what really was in store for me."

She visualized that after a day of toil they would "play the guitar, sing by the moonlight, recite poems and listen to the mocking bird! And listening to our songs would be

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TOURNAMENT



TOP — Cinderella's Carriage — covered with 100,000 vanda orchids, the wheels with 10,000 stock. (Note in center of carriage — Dorothy Fansler, of Wilmington Parlor, N.D.G.W., chairman for recruitment of volunteer workers, and a job well done.) LOWER LEFT — The Proud Mouse — watching over Cinderella's pumpkin, all dressed up with a pink feather in his cap. This particular job of decorating was detailed to the N.D.G.W. State Chairman, Tournament of Roses Committee, Florence M. Grass, who spent many hours for three days high up on a ladder. Flowers used were desert holly, white stock petals, and pink carnation petals for the feather in the cap. LOWER RIGHT — Marguerite Tann, President of Inter-Parlor, Southern District, and Topanga Parlor, is applying desert holly leaves to the mouse head mask for the driver of Cinderella's Pumpkin. Realizing the importance of fulfilling a commitment, Marguerite Tann worked on with a sore throat and loss of voice!

PICTURES, better than words, tell the story of the many hours of hard work volunteered by members of the Inter-Parlor Native Sons and Daughters, Southern District, and Grand Officers. Many members worked from 8 to 12 hours a day during the three days of decorating the floats for the January 1, 1958 Tournament of Roses Parade, in Pasadena.

This year members, their families and friends, decorated the "Cinderella Float" entered by the City of St. Louis to help in the financing of the Native Sons and Daughters Float, "Dreamers All." This float was a two-panel unit, showing Cinderella both before and after midnight, and won the National Trophy. The National Trophy is awarded for the most beautiful entry from outside California, but within the territorial limits of the United States. The Native Sons and Daughters Float won third prize in the Fraternal, Patriotic and Musical Organizations classification. A tribute of commendation is extended to the faithful and hard-working members who so adeptly and skillfully prepared the flower blossoms and applied them in artistic beauty.

It was estimated that 1,600,000 persons viewed the 1958 Parade along the parade route. Each year the number of viewers increase — coming from all over these United States. Preparations have already begun for the 1959 Tournament of Roses Parade.

Contributions are still being received from the Native Daughter Parlors. Parlors who have not yet sent in their voluntary contributions of 10c per member for the 1958 Float Fund are requested to send their contribution to Florence M. Grass, State Chairman, Tournament of Roses Float Committee, 4327½ Eighth Avenue, Los Angeles 8.

OF ROSES

by
Florence M. Grass



UPPER LEFT: Many hours are needed to prepare the flower blossoms for the decorators. Working left to right are Grand Second Vice-president N.S.G.W. John Schmolle, Milton Eisenhart, Clifford Schack, Mrs. Schmolle, Arthur Lasher and Robert Donohue. UPPER RIGHT: Statues and Sunbursts completed, American Beauty Roses are being used to cover the balance of top of float. (Note: intent on completing their job, camera caught members unaware.) Standing in foreground is Hazel Steckel, chairman of Inter-Parlor Float Committee, 1958. MIDDLE — Grand President Irma M. Caton getting her instructions from State Chairman Florence M. Grass and Co-Chairman Vivian Morse, as to what she too can do to help in decorating the floats. LOWER LEFT: The finished product "Dreamers All" with the four beautiful Native Daughters, each dressed in costume representing the era of the statue they are seated beside. The Padre — Señorita Joan Stickney, from Atherton, sponsored by Encinal Parlor, N.D.G.W. The Miner — Pioneer Girl Loris Souza, a member of Argonaut Parlor, N.D.G.W. and sponsored by her Parlor. The Jet Pilot — (left) Maureen McAuliff, sponsored by Los Angeles Parlor N.D.G.W.; (right) LaRue Robinson, sponsored by Verdugo Parlor N.D.G.W., both dressed in modern skirts and blouses. The two girls from Northern and the two girls from Southern California were winners of the Beauty Contest sponsored by both Orders. These four lovely young ladies also helped on New Year's Eve to decorate the Float upon which they were to ride. LOWER RIGHT: Members of the Southern District Parlors applying flowers to the Padre statue. (Note the happy expressions on their faces as they work.)



HAYWARD

Hayward, in Alameda County, is named in honor of William Dutton Hayward, a native of Massachusetts, who came to California in 1849. After an unsuccessful experience at gold mining he came to the Bay Area and got a job cutting hay near Dublin.

In 1851 he pitched his tent in Palomares Canyon on Rancho San Lorenzo, believing that he was on government land open to homesteading. He was quickly disillusioned when the ranchero, Guillermo Castro, informed him that he was a trespasser. No hard feeling resulted from the incident. On the contrary the men became friends and Castro hired Hayward to milk cows.

Later Hayward purchased 50 acres of land from Castro upon which he erected a large tent which became an important stopping place for miners traveling through the Livermore Pass.

When Castro laid out a city in this area in 1854 he named it *Hayward* after his friend. On a hill north of A Street and east of Castro Street, Hayward erected a hotel which stood until destroyed by fire in 1923.

A postoffice was established in the town on January 6, 1860 and given the name of *Haywood*, which must have sounded rather ironical to Hayward who for a time was postmaster. In 1880 the postoffice became officially known as *Haywards*, a name it used until the present one was adopted in 1911.

SACRAMENTO

Sacramento was incorporated 108 years ago on February 27, 1850. The name means "Holy Sacrament." In 1808 Lieutenant Gabriel Morago explored the river and gave it the name of Río del Sacramento and in turn the city took its name from that of the river. The present community dates from September 1, 1840 when Governor Juan Bautista Alvarado authorized John Augustus Sutter to erect here what is known as Sutter's Fort which Sutter himself called *New Helvetia*.

During the gold rush of '49 the miners used the river front as a land-

ing place. Shortly after October 14, 1848, Sutter's son, John, engaged W. H. Warner to lay out a townsite at the landing place just below his father's famous fort. It was first known as *Sutterville*, later as *Sacramento City*.

MARYSVILLE

Marysville was a California city incorporated in the month of February, 107 years ago. The date was February 5, 1851. Originally the townsite was called *New Mecklenburg* after Mecklenburg, Germany by John Augustus Sutter for the birthplace of Theodore Cordua, who leased the site of the settlement from Sutter. Cordua was the first settler in the Sacramento Valley north of New Helvetia.

The present city was laid out in the winter of 1849-1850 by Auguste Le Plongeon, a French surveyor for Covillaud and Company who had acquired Cordua's land grant. It was first called Jubaville (Yubaville). This became California's first planned city. Le Plongeon created a replica of Paris with a Champs Elysées, Place de la Concorde and various squares.

At a public meeting in January 1850, Sicardono, (after Theodore Sicard), Circumdoro and Norwich were presented as names but it was finally decided to call the place *Marysville*, after Mary Murphy Covillaud who was a survivor of the ill fated Donner party and wife of Charles Covillaud.



Early Sacramento

OLD ENGRAVING

LETTERS FROM OLD SHASTA



MUCH of the interesting history of the Gold Rush period is found in the diaries of the argonauts and in the letters that they wrote "back home." Mrs. Vera B. Gale of *San Fernando Mission Parlor No. 280* has kindly furnished the *California Herald* with four unpublished letters written by her grandfather, Samuel Budlong Westcott, when he was living at Shasta. They were sent to his stepmother who resided at Newport, Rhode Island.

Westcott traced his ancestry back to Stukely Westcott who had come to America in 1635. As a close friend of Roger Williams he joined him and others in forming a colony in the wilderness. He was one of the thirteen original proprietors of the Providence Plantation.

Samuel B. Westcott was born on November 25, 1823, and in 1850 came to California in search of gold. For two years he mined at Spanish Dry Diggins in El Dorado County. Meeting with indifferent success he entered the mercantile business in Shasta where he prospered. He was a man of sober habits, worked hard, saved his money and confined his social activities principally to *Western Star Lodge No. 2, F. & A. M.*, of which he was an enthusiastic member.

In 1857 he returned to Rhode Island where he established a produce business. He successfully operated a fleet of banana boats with his headquarters and market in the historic Turkshead building in Providence. At his death, in 1888, he was considered a wealthy man, owning land in Maine, New York and Rhode Island. His daughter Blanche was the mother of Mrs. Gale.

Here are the letters.

"Shasta, Aug. 24, 1854.

"Dear Mother,

"It seems but yesterday that I wrote you instead of a month. If time passing quickly is any indication, I am surely an old man. Still I do not feel much older than when I left home.

"I long to come home once more soon for I am afraid if I should stay as long as I said I might when I came here (that was 1850) that home will be so changed as to be no home for me. I received by last mail the book, *Newport Illustrated*, you sent, with the honeysuckle and rose as perfect as when you first enclosed them. I have only thanks to offer in return, for I can think of nothing to be got here I could send you that you would prize as I do these simple emblems of home. You asked whether I meant this winter or next. It was next winter, that is in 1856, if I am successful that you will see me. If unsuccessful I will not come home until '60.

"My partner, Mr. Bartlett, talks of coming east this winter to buy stock for our business. Should he do so he will call on you. I think you will like him. He is 34 years old, very pleasant, social and honorable in all his dealings. In short, I could not wish a better partner. Our business, so far, has been quite dull this season to what we anticipated. It is caused by last winter having been a dry one. Should the coming winter be a wet one, next summer will be all we could wish.

"I have but little news to write. I had a letter from James and Phebe last week. [His brother-in-law, James H. Demerest and sister Phebe.] They

are well and talk of moving back to Spanish Dry Diggins where we mined together in 1852-53. He writes me that water has been brought there by ditch. Some of our friends there are making from one to two hundred dollars per day in the diggings we left because we had no water to work them.

"I also received a letter from a friend enclosing \$150 which he owed me since '52. He has made in two months over \$3500 there, so you see the gold is not all taken out yet. I would have done better had I stayed there. It is the same place where the \$1550 lump of gold came from that I had. You had an account in the paper of it. It is all a lottery for a man might mine ten years before finding such diggings. This same friend has been here since 1849 and three months ago had not a dollar in the world although he has been a steady, hard-working man.

"Give my love to Abby, Eddy and William. I heard he had left his trade. Is it so? I would be sorry to find him as shiftless as some one else was of his age, and hope it is not so. I see by the papers that you had a fine 4th of July. They complain of heat at 98 deg. I wonder what Newport folks would say of the weather here where the thermometer has stayed at 110 deg. in the shade for a week at a time and sometimes 120. Still I do not feel the heat as I used to at home.

"Give my love to all inquiring friends . . . Love to Sarah. Write soon. I will send papers.

"From your Affectionate Son,
"Samuel B. Westcott."

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The Grand President's Corner



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FEBRUARY

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Bear Flag No. 151.....*El Cerrito
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Años No. 303, Compton No. 258 and Long Beach No. 154.....*Wilmington
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Silver Sands No. 286.....*Santa Ana
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MARCH

- 4 Coloma No. 212, and Fern No. 123.....*Sacramento
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- 8 Santa Clara County Luncheon
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- 21 Wawona No. 271, Fresno No. 187 and Selma No. 313.....*Selma
- 24 Genevieve No. 132, Fremont No. 59, and
Guadalupe No. 153.....*San Francisco
- 25 Las Flores No. 260, and Coalinga No. 276.....*Avenal
- 26 Charter Oak No. 292, Tule Vista No. 305 and Ramona No. 283.....*Visalia
- 28 Las Tres Vistas No. 302, El Aliso No. 314 and
Poinsettia No. 318.....*Santa Paula
- 29 San Gabriel Valley No. 281, Rancho San Jose No. 307, Whittier
No. 298, East Los Angeles No. 266, and Pasadena No. 290.....*Whittier

Note: Official Visits are marked with an asterisk (*)

MADAME MODJESKA . . .

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charming Indian maidens, our neighbors, making wreaths of wild flowers for us! And in exchange we would give them trinkets for their handsome brown necks and wrists!" Unfortunately Madame Modjeska never recorded her impression of the Digger Indians she later saw in southern California.

The Emigrants

There were ten persons in the group who made the decision to come to America. With Count Bozenta was his wife, Madame Modjeska, her son Ralph by a former marriage, and their young housemaid, Anusia. Accompanying them were Jules Sypniewski, an artist, with his wife and two small children; Lucian Paprocki, a caricaturist; and Sienkiewicz, the novelist. None of them had had any experience in agriculture except Sypniewski and his knowledge was to prove worthless.

Before leaving Poland Madame Modjeska obtained a year's leave of absence from the Imperial Theatre of Warsaw. She was under life contract and agreed that if she did not return within the stipulated time that she would forfeit 6,000 rubles. All of her friends had not the slightest doubt but that she would soon be back. Perhaps she herself had some secret misgivings. If so, she never revealed them to her devoted husband.

Sypniewski and Sienkiewicz sailed for America early in 1876. The former returned to Poland with glowing accounts of the beauties of the new land. Nowhere had he seen such luxuriant green meadows as he saw in southern California. Of course he had arrived shortly after heavy spring rains and apparently no one took the trouble to tell him that the hills would turn to dusty brown with the coming of summer.

He had selected Anaheim as the particular part of paradise for the new colonists to settle in. No doubt the fact that several Anaheim families were able to speak Polish influenced his decision. Sienkiewicz did not return to Poland, but sent back enthusiastic letters.

Elaborate preparations were made for the voyage. Telescopes, guns, and brass knuckles were purchased

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Junior Unit Instituted



New Junior Unit Instituted. From left: Maxiene Porter, State Chairman of Junior Native Daughters; Loretta Del Carlo, Sequoia Parlor No. 272, chairman of the Junior Unit and Toni Navarro, president of the new Junior Unit.

With Sequoia Parlor No. 272 N.D.G.W. as sponsor, the *Las Florecitas* (Little Flowers) Junior Unit No. 34 was instituted in the Palm Room of the Y.M.C.A., Berkeley, by Maxiene Porter, Junior Unit State Chairman and Grand Marshal N.D.G.W. Advisors for the group are Loretta Del Carlo, Gloria Conley, Francesca Anderhalden, Martha Gohl and Barbara Sutter.

Assisting in the installation were the Argonaut "Cubs" Junior Unit No. 3 of Oakland. Fruitvale Junior Unit No. 22 had charge of initiating the 45 charter members. *Las Amiguitas*

Junior Unit No. 33, Walnut Creek, acted as color guard.

Charter officers installed were Ione Del Carlo, past president; Toni Navarro, president; Jo Ann Goble, vice-president; Katherine Pimintel, recording secretary; Carolyn Raymond, financial secretary and treasurer; Lupe Sosa, marshal; Marcia Bredehoff, Melinda Rice and Carolyn Hiker, trustees; Sandra Allen, sentinel and Kathleen Millard, organist. The group meets the first and third Saturday afternoons in the Finnish Brotherhood Hall, Berkeley.

Mrs. Irma M. Caton, Grand President, N.D.G.W., was a special guest.



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Tues., March 25.....	Santa Rosa No. 31.....	Santa Rosa
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Mon., March 31.....	Las Amiguitas No. 33.....	Walnut Creek

FRANK H. WILLARD

Frank H. Willard, creator of the comic strip, "Moon Mullins," passed away at Los Angeles last January 11 following a stroke he recently suffered at his Beverly Hills home.

Born in Anna, Illinois, 64 years ago, he started his life work as a cartoonist at the age of 17. In 1924 Joseph Patterson of the then new New York News employed Willard to create a new comic strip of the slapstick comedy type. The banjo-eyed Moon Mullins was the result.

The strip is now syndicated to more than 250 newspapers in the United States and Canada and appears in several foreign countries translated into Spanish, French, German, Scandinavian, Japanese and Chinese.

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Did You Know That

According to Donn Bleitz, nationally known bird photographer, Los Angeles County is the richest in bird life of any county in the United States. The largest bird in the nation, the rare California condor, as well as the smallest, the Calliope hummingbird, are both found in California.

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AT THE BAR . . .

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It was different in cases when marihuana was grown on a more pretentious scale, as in the case of the La Habra Mexican who cultivated a garden consisting of alternate plantings of corn and marihuana.

Obviously the bird cage routine was inadequate as an explanation, so he stoutly maintained that he had never seen the forbidden plant on his property. However, in a slack moment he admitted that he had gathered corn from his garden. When it was pointed out that he must have seen the marihuana when he picked the corn, he thought long and hard. Then his countenance brightened. He explained that he always picked the corn late at night and went along the rows feeling for the ears! Therefore, he never saw the marihuana.

When officers scoffed at his answer, he shrugged his shoulders, and gave the Spanish equivalent of "Was you there, Sharley?"—L.J.F.

PRESIDENT HONORED

Elvena Woodward, State President of the Past Presidents of N.D.G.W., made her official visit to Association No. 4 at Sacramento on December 2. The meeting was held in the Native Sons' Hall. Seventy-one members and guests enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner. The banquet tables were gay with silvered branches and Christmas ornaments.

Among the guests were 14 girls from the Sacramento Children's Home, accompanied by the house mother, Mrs. Cramer. Each girl received a silk scarf, home-made fudge, an orange and an apple, as gifts from the Association. The children sang Christmas carols accompanied by Mae Lucas of Association No. 4.

Among the State and Past State officers present were: State Vice-President Margaret Gilbert, Oroville; State Marshal Beatrice George, Grass Valley; State Outside Sentinel Esther Ragan, Oakland; State Treasurer Pearl Swift, San Mateo; State Chairman of the Board of Directors, Lucy Girdler, Chico; State Director Imelda Bowden, Stockton; Jr. Past President Zoura Martinez, Cotati; Past State President Harriett Corr, Stockton and Past State Presidents: Mamie Davis, Lily Mae Tilden, Edna Kretcher and Florence Morris, all of Sacramento. State Director, Virginia Banigan from Redding drove to Sacramento, but due to an accident was not able to attend.

Out of town visitors included Anna Johnson, Marcella Turner, Catherine Tallifero, Dorothy Jordan, California Davis, Elsie Bearse, Olive Pearl and Faye Kurlander.

State President Elvena Woodward gave an interesting talk and was presented with a potted poinsettia, containing a monetary gift from Association No. 4, the presentation being made by Past State President Lily May Tilden.

• PICTURE ON COVER

Picture on Cover is of historic Olvera Street in Los Angeles.



Members of Sequoia Parlor No. 272 enjoy hobo party. From left: Mary Scott, first vice-president; Clara Barton, senior past president; Eleanor Garrison; Lola Bredehoft, president; Theresia Kekki, marshal and Hannah Bredehoft, treasurer.

HOBO PARTY

Sequoia Parlor No. 272 enjoyed a hobo party with President Lola Bredehoft in charge. A dinner of mulligan stew served on tin plates and coffee was enjoyed. Andrea Trefcer and Bernadine Avalos won the honor of being voted the two most disreputable looking hobos. Special guests were several prospective members. A short business session and games followed the dinner.

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VETERANS' PARTY

Native Sons and Native Daughters played host to 1500 Veterans. Jack B. Curran, *University Parlor No. 272*, N.S.G.W., was the chairman for the affair. Donations from Irma M. Caton, Grand President, N.D.G.W., Larry Laffeur, Grand President, N.S.G.W., Past Grand President Eldred Myer and others together with 30 Native Daughter Parlors and 10 Native Son Parlors made the party possible. Cigarettes, candy, cookies, books, cards, puzzles, games and magazines were given to the veterans. *University Parlor* has decided to continue collecting such items. Jack Curran will take them to the hospital on the third Sunday of each month. Parlors are urged to cooperate in this project.

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All the reasonings of men are not worth one sentiment of women.—Voltaire.

MISSION PARTY TIME

Even though it was after Christmas, *Mission Parlor No. 227*, N.D.G.W. held its annual Christmas party. Chairman of the evening was First Vice-president Zelma Buckholz, while "Santa Claus" came in the person of Third Vice-president, Marcella Loughry. Special guest was Deputy Grand President Dolores Kikke, of *Minerva No. 2*. A cake bearing New Year's Greetings, sandwiches and salad were served by Chairman Buckholz and her committee.

Grand President Irma M. Caton will officially visit *Mission, Dolores and Castro Parlors* on April 9.

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GIFT TO NSGW & NDGW

The City Council of Oroville has given the old 1911 American-La France Fire Truck to *Argonaut Parlor No. 8*, N.S.G.W. and *Gold of Ophir Parlor No. 190*, N.D.G.W. for preservation. Plans are being made to build the extension of the Native Sons and Daughters Pioneer Relic building this spring. The fire truck is being housed in Frank W. Boyle's garage until the extension is completed.

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SAN FRANCISCO DEPUTIES

S.D.D.G.P. Frances Simas of San Francisco entertained her deputies at the Native Daughters' Home. Hors d'oeuvres were served followed by a home-cooked ravioli dinner. The New Year's motif was used. After the dinner the regular meeting for instructions regarding installations took place. Plans were made for the Annual Home Breakfast to be held on February 9 with Irene Crowley of Genevieve Parlor No. 132, chairman.



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ENCHILADA DINNER

Reina del Mar Parlor No. 126, N.D.G.W. held its annual Enchillada dinner at the Native Sons' Beach Club. Santa Barbara, under the direction of Miss Ellen Hayward, past president of the Parlor. Mrs. Anita Joyal, President of Reina del Mar, assisted by Mmes. Aceves, Acres, Davies, Miller, Meyerink and Griffiths prepared the delicious Spanish food.

Following the dinner, the Las Fiestas danced the *Sombrero Blanco* and *La Cachucha*; Yvonne and Beverly Aceves danced the *Alegrias de Postin* and *Chiapanecas*.



School given American and California Bear flags. From left: Ida Lee, President of Wauona Parlor No. 271; Gladys Van Sant; Maude Worden; Cecil E. Harris, District Superintendent and Master of Ceremonies; and Dorothy J. Helm, Grand Trustee, N.D.G.W.

FLAG PRESENTED

An American flag and the California Bear flag were presented to the Western School in the Fresno Colony School District during the dedication by Wauona Parlor No. 271, Fresno, in memory of Edwin Gay Van Sant, Technician 4th grade, Ordinance Dept. U.S. Army, who was killed on Shemya Island in the Western Aleutians of Alaska February 18, 1945. He was a son of Mrs. Gladys Van Sant, a member of the Parlor.

Mrs. Dorothy J. Helm, Grand Trustee, N.D.G.W., spoke on the history of our American flag and also gave a tribute to the flag before presenting it to Samuel J. Marshall, principal. A brief history of the California Bear flag and the presentation of this flag was made by Mrs. Maude Worden, Civics Chairman of the Parlor. Mrs. Ida Lee, President of the Parlor and several members attended.

Representatives from the Board of Trustees of the school and the various offices of the school were also in attendance.

Students of the school presented musical numbers.

Science is the topography of ignorance. —O. W. Holmes.

"Springtime Revue"

Los Angeles Parlor No. 124, N.D.G.W. will present a "Springtime Revue" of youthful entertainers at 8:15 p.m., Saturday, February 15, in the Fiesta Auditorium of Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles.

A program of modern vaudeville consisting of dancing, singing and instrumental artists will be presented by Miss Olga Melchione, Director of Beverly Hills Academy of Music in Beverly Hills.

According to Mrs. Vivian Morse, Parlor President, Mrs. Arthur Eastman, the Parlor's Americanism chairman, is arranging the event with Mrs. Jack Stratton, Program Emcee.

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Book Reviews

The Californias 1847-1957, by Philip S. Rush. The Southern California Rancher, San Diego, \$4.00.

Here is an interesting series of articles about the Californias commencing with the American conquest and continuing to the present day. The volume is packed with information gathered from many sources which cannot be readily found elsewhere.

The author is concise in style and presents his facts in a lucid manner. This book belongs in every home, library and school for reference purposes.

"The Age of Flying" is a typical example of indefatigable research. California has contributed much to aviation and here are the facts to prove it. Another fascinating chapter is the account of Japanese submarine activity along the Pacific Coast during World War II.

Water development, land reclamation, oil and the automobile are handled in an interesting manner. While earlier phases of California's history are factually presented it is the material on the State's last fifty years that makes the book important.

—L.J.F.

I Blow My Own Horn, by Jesse L. Lasky with Don Weldon. Doubleday & Company, Garden City, N.Y. \$4.50.

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Lasky tells with gusto his early gold mining fiasco and his successful experiences in the vaudeville world. Most fascinating of all is his story of his part in the development of motion pictures. This volume is in the vanguard of a flood of books on movies which is momentarily expected. Incidentally, one should not overlook *The Public is Never Wrong*, written by Lasky's old associate, Adolph Zukor, in 1953.

(Since writing the above review, Mr. Lasky has passed away. On last January 13 he had discussed *I Blow My Own Horn* with a women's book review group at the Beverly Hilton. Waiting for his car at the hotel entrance, he suffered a heart attack and expired almost immediately.)

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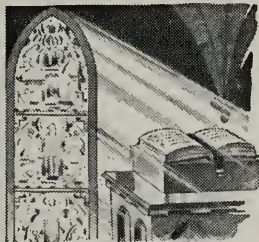
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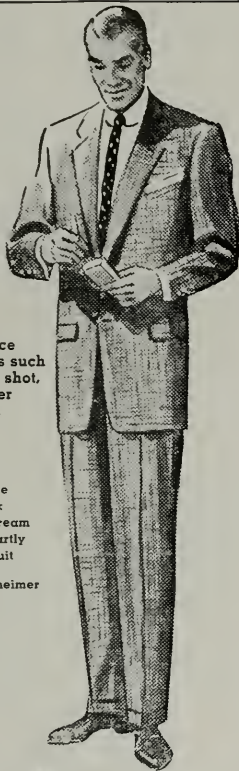
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MADAME MODJESKA . . .

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as well as a large supply of medicines and surgical instruments. Count Bozenta had no way of knowing that there were competent physicians in Anaheim, nor that the community was strictly law abiding.

The Voyage

The emigrants sailed for America in July and after visiting eastern United States they embarked for California by way of the Isthmus of Panama. Arriving in San Francisco in the latter part of September all proceeded immediately to Anaheim with the exception of Madame Modjeska and her husband who delayed their trip southward in order to witness several theatrical performances of Edwin Booth.

When the Chlapowskis finally arrived in Anaheim they were greeted by all of their friends including Sienkiewicz who had just returned from a stay at Anaheim Landing. All were in a gay mood except the eccentric Paprocki. Paprocki was very despondent. He had migrated to the United States under the misapprehension that there were no Jews in California. Upon his arrival in Anaheim he was effusively greeted by a Polish Jew who bombarded him with questions about his homeland.

"How is my cousin, Pistolet?" he inquired.

"I don't know your cousin, Pistolet," replied Paprocki curtly.

"What! How could you just have come from Poland and not know my cousin, Pistolet?"

"How should I know," roared Paprocki.

"Ah, it is very strange that one coming so recently from Poland should not know my cousin, Pistolet!"

By this time Paprocki was wild with rage. He had no way of knowing that Sienkiewicz had prompted the Jew to ask the maddening questions.

Anaheim

The newcomers could not have been too greatly impressed by Anaheim in 1876. The little town was enjoying the fruits of a land boom and held itself forth as a health resort, but its accommodations were limited. Sypniewski had secured a home for the colonists near the site of the present high school.

Madame Modjeska was greatly disappointed, She wrote, "We found the rented house rather small: two bed-rooms, a dining room, a so-called parlor, with a square piano and a sofa. The commonplaceness of it all was painfully discouraging, and the front yard, with its cypresses, shaggy grass, and flowers scattered at random, looked like a poorly kept small graveyard. The only redeeming point was the view of the mountains of the Sierra Madre to the north and of the Santa Ana Range in the east."

She continued, "My disappointment was great, and I was on the point of exclaiming, 'Oh, why do we not live in tents!' but feared to wound the feelings of Mr. Sypniewski, who had chosen for us the cottage which he thought cozy and pretty." The Sypniewskis occupied the larger bedroom and Madame Modjeska and her husband the smaller one. Ralph slept on the sofa while the maid, Anusia, had a "little nook near the kitchen." Sienkiewicz and Paprocki established themselves in the barn.

Madame Modjeska had charge of the cooking. She recalls that, "Breakfast was a rather complicated affair. Everybody wanted something different. Tea, coffee, milk, chocolate, and wine-soup had to be served every morning besides other things. Our simple life did not include privations of that sort."

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"In the evening they came back tired but hopeful . . . Next morning some of the party were late for breakfast; the third day some one complained of a lame back; and a week later there were only two who insisted still on working, my husband and my son. Sienkiewicz had to write an urgent letter to Warsaw; Paprocki, unable to work from rheumatism, passed his time in making fine drawings; and Sypniewski was obliged to stay at home and attend to his wife who was indisposed."

After explaining that the men were only amateur farmers, full of fine theories, Madame Modjeska observed that "there was no system among our idealists; they worked or not, they discussed a great deal, they sometimes even quarreled and then made up and hugged each other; in one word, they lived under a nervous tension which could not last long."

Arden

Among the first persons to visit the colonists were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pleasants, who were living in nearby Santiago Canyon. A short time later the Chlapowskis paid a return visit to their new friends. Madame Modjeska was so enamoured with Pleasant's homestead that she later purchased it and called it "Arden" because, she said, "like the Forest of

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Arden in 'As You Like It,' everything that Shakespeare speaks of was on the spot,—oak trees, running brooks, palms, snakes, and even lions,—of course California lions,—really pumas." The home which Madame Modjeska built is still standing in the canyon since renamed in her honor. It is, as she said, "bungalow of modest dimensions, but in harmony with the surroundings." It was designed by the renowned architect, Stanford White.

Piotrowski Visits

Shortly after Madame Modjeska and her friends had settled in Anaheim a letter arrived from San Francisco informing them that their friend, Captain Korwin Piotrowski, was going to pay them a visit. This announcement occasioned elaborate preparations for their distinguished guest. The sofa in the parlor was replaced by a bed.

As Captain Piotrowski was a well known gourmet it was decided that roast turkey should be the entree for the first dinner. Sypniewski was delegated to purchase a suitable bird for the occasion and he returned with a large tom turkey. Thereupon a grave question arose. Who would kill the fowl? All plead inexperience. Finally Madame Modjeska issued an ultimatum: Kill the bird or there will be no turkey for dinner!

Count Bozenta held a lengthy conference with Paprocki and Sien-

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kiewicz. The latter went to the barn where he procured a hatchet. In later years Madame Modjeska recalled, "Then the chase for the turkey took place, and after having secured the victim, the three men stretched it with great ceremony upon the stump. My husband held the legs, Paprocki the head, and Sienkiewicz, with the stern expression of an executioner, picked up the hatchet and decapitated the innocent culprit."

Captain Piotrowski arrived the next day. Madame Modjeska characterized him as a combination of Falstaff and Sir Toby Belch. Piotrowski announced that his physician had put him on a milk diet and that he intended to strictly follow doctor's orders. So he commenced his first meal by quaffing a large glass of milk of which three-fourths was brandy!

The pompous guest encountered the first misfortune of his visit on the first night when his bed proved too fragile for his huge bulk. He crashed to the floor. Picking up his pillow and blankets he decided to sleep in the barn. Paprocki mistook him for an intruder and narrowly missed shooting him.

Undaunted, on the following morning the captain, who considered himself quite a ladies' man, stole a kiss from the housemaid, Anusia, who rewarded him with a resounding slap. On the next day the overgrown lover boy observed Anusia hanging up some clothes. He exclaimed, "Now, my little bird, I will catch you and kiss you!" Much to his astonishment she answered, "Come, captain, kiss me!" and started to run. Piotrowski lumbered after her. Anusia darted toward some tules, the captain in breathless pursuit. Suddenly the girl stepped aside and Piotrowski charged on and found himself in the middle of an irrigation ditch full of cold water.

He screamed for help. Anusia responded with hysterical laughter. The captain was sinking into the quicksand. As the water was closing around his neck Anusia summoned Sienkiewicz who saved the impetuous lover from certain death. Piotrowski was the prototype of Zagloba in Sienkiewicz's historical trilogy of *Fire and Sword*, *Deluge* and *Pan Michal*.

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Misfortune

Experience such as the Piotrowski episode served to cheer the little Polish colony momentarily. Then gloom settled upon the farm.

Count Bozenta decided that conditions might improve by the acquisition of another farm. He purchased a tract of land at what is now the northwest corner of Center Street and Placentia Avenue in Anaheim. However, conditions at the new location became steadily worse. Madame Modjeska stated frankly, "Everything seemed to be a sad failure. We had several cows, but there was no one to milk them and we had to buy milk, butter, and cream from the neighbors. We had chickens, but our fine dogs made regular meals of the eggs. We had a vineyard, which yielded beautiful muscat grapes, but there was nobody to buy them, and often people would come and fill their wagons with them without more ado; they said that such was the custom of the country. We were too courteous to contradict them, and smilingly consented to be robbed, respecting the practice."

More alarming was the fact that Count Bozenta had sunk more than \$15,000 into the Anaheim venture and his store of ready cash was fast dwindling. Madame Modjeska decided to return to the stage. She could still return to Warsaw and resume her old contract. Her leave of absence had not yet expired. She made a bold decision. She would try her fortune in this country.

Back to the Stage

In January, 1877, she and her husband went to San Francisco where she commenced to master the English language. So thoroughly did she apply herself that she became able to speak English with virtually no accent. She became a phenomenal success on the American stage, playing with such well known actors as Edwin Booth and Otis Skinner.

In 1903 she retired and settled at "Arden." After three years she felt it wise to move to a more accessible neighborhood. She built a beautiful home on Bay Island, at East Newport Beach, California, where she lived until she passed away on April 8, 1909.

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When words are scarce they're seldom spent in vain.—Shakespeare.

Love or Penance?

by Mildred Yorba MacArthur

THERE IS A BELL in the old Plaza Church in Los Angeles that was ordered to be given to the church as a penance, but the real story is that it was joyfully given by a bridegroom, for having eloped with one of California's most beautiful señoritas.

Fitch opened many festivals. Not only did Governor Echeandia disapprove, but he influenced her parents to the point where they forbade her to see her lover. Captain Fitch was determined. A Protestant, he had himself baptized in the Catholic faith, and they proceeded

down the following edict, "Considering the great scandal which Captain Fitch has caused in this Province, I condemn him to give as a penance and reparation, a bell of at least fifty pounds in weight, for the church at Los Angeles."

There it still tolls, not as a penance, but a reminder of a great and undying love.



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Old Plaza Church at Los Angeles showing bell Captain Fitch gave.

The song that this bell intones, for all to hear, is the love story of Captain Henry Delano Fitch, and Señorita Josefa Carrillo. In 1825, San Diego suddenly became the temporary capitol of California, because Governor Echeandia said that he preferred the climate of San Diego to that of Monterey. The real reason was his interest in Josefa Carrillo, the dancing daughter of Don Joaquin, who lived nearby. She was born with dancing feet, inherited from a high spirited young widow, Maria Arballo de Guiterrez, who came to California with the Anza Expedition, in 1775. She wreaked more havoc than all the combined elements. No amount of hardship stilled her singing voice, nor her love of fiestas. Josefa Carrillo was just like her. She was the first one to learn to dance the American waltz, and together she and Captain

with plans for their marriage. The jealous old Governor heard of the plans, sent a messenger, and forbade the marriage.

Josefa was just as brave as she was beautiful. She defied all authority, and pleaded with Henry Fitch to take her with him aboard his ship, which was anchored in the bay. Her cousin, Pio Pico, who later became Governor of California, took sides with the lovers. He took her upon his horse to the water's edge, where Captain Fitch was waiting. She sailed with him, 4000 miles, to Valparaiso, where they were married.

A year later, when they returned to California with their tiny son, Governor Echeandia still demanded his pound of flesh. He ordered that they be taken into ecclesiastical court at San Gabriel, and that they be tried. The Vicar-General laid

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NEWS FROM SHASTA . . .

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"Shasta, Oct. 22, 1854.

"Dear Mother,

"Your favor of 27th August came to hand the first of the month. I really wish you were twenty years younger, for I don't know of anything that would please more than for you to pop in and see me keeping house. Yes, I do though. I would rather pop in at home and see you all, and mean to as soon as I can. It won't be this year, though, but I live in hopes or I feel to indulge a hope as the Methodists say, in telling of their experience.

"In speaking of hard times you remind me of some I've seen, but would not dare to write for fear you might think I was telling untruths. There is much truth in the old saying, 'It is not all gold that glitters.'

"No, my partner has no wife and he does not cook. Neither do I. Since I quit mining I have quit cooking. One of our men cooks, milks the cow, feeds the sow, washes floors and does odd chores, so you see I lead quite an easy life without a wife. You say, 'Don't write love letters.' Of course I won't. I should think you knew me better than that. You and Phebe are the only females I have written to since I left home. As to the California ladies, to use a vulgar expression, 'O, get out!' It has never been my lot to meet with any except western girls that were single and they are made so much of here I should not dare lift my eyes as high. There are some very fine women in Shasta who are married.

"Such as I know I would like, but although I have had frequent and pressing invitations from their husbands to call, I have never called on any yet, but several have called here as we have quite a little gem of a place and we are never lonesome, although always at home except when out on business.

"By the way, we are getting in a garden of four acres, a common kitchen garden for vegetables for this market. It is very difficult for us to get good seed here that can be relied on as a good deal of the seed sent out is two or three years old. You will find enclosed \$20 for which I would like you to buy an assortment of good seeds such as sweet corn, peas, cabbages, lettuce, turnips, carrots. In short I want all

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"I wish you would always write long letters. The little bits of paper you sent for two or three months previous are only an *aggravation*. (Is that spelled right? If you should happen to find any of my words spelled wrong, do skip them. Say nothing about them and I won't.)

"I have not wrote half I had to say. I sent you a book last mail. About a month ago I gave a letter of introduction to Horace Frank Cur-tice, a young friend. He has been out here since '49. He is 21 and a man I can recommend in every way. In fact I could not say enough in his praise. Should he present the letter, treat him as you would me. He lives in Worcester, Mass. He has made here about \$4,000. His father was out here putting up machinery for the U.S. Mint. His brother is Capt. of the Clipper Ship *Flying Cloud*. If Frank presents this letter tell him to write me.

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Little Joe: "I learned to say 'yes, sir' and 'no, sir,' 'yes, ma'am' and 'no, ma'am,'"

Father (very pleased): "You did?"

Little Joe: "Yep."

The late Justice William Hitz of the Federal Court of Appeals at Washington was somewhat noted for his dogmatism. On one occasion he said to a lawyer before him: "My friend, this court is often in error, but never in doubt."

Policeman: "I've had my eye on you for some time, Miss."

Girl: "Fancy that! And I thought you were arresting me for speeding."

Our tastes change as we mature. Little girls like painted dolls; little boys like soldiers. When they grow up, girls like soldiers and boys go for the painted dolls.

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Greetings from Irma M. Caton

I regret my message for the month of February arrived at the California Herald office too late for publication—but the fault was entirely mine.



IRMA M. CATON

The message was, nevertheless, one I feel most important to the members of our Order, reminding them of the birthdays of two of the most important men in the history of our Country. February 12, the birthday of the 16th President of the United States and February 22, the birthday of George Washington, a great General and the Father of our Country, both men facing the challenge of a divided nation as we today face the challenge of a divided world.

I am sure each Parlor Americanism chairman held appropriate programs during the month of February for these two outstanding Presidents to uphold our tradition as a patriotic organization.

During the week of January 27th through the 31st, my first trip to the south, I had the pleasure of visiting with Alila Parlor No. 321, one of the parlors instituted last year, and found them very interested in all projects of our Order. They now have a total membership of 78 and 42 members were in attendance.

On January 29th I visited with District No. 40, San Diego County, and at the dinner prior to the meeting, was presented with a key to the City of Escondido by Mayor Lloyd I. Turrentine, and told it was the first key ever presented by the City. I felt very flattered as the representative of the Native Daughters

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MARCH IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

On March 9, 1842 the first discovery of placer gold in commercial quantities in California was made in Placerita Canyon, eight miles west of Newhall, by Francisco Lopez.

A California law was enacted on March 30, 1853, imposing a tax of \$4 a month on "foreign miners." The measure was directed especially toward the Chinese.

The Southern Pacific Coast Line was opened on March 31, 1901. The first daylight limited trains made runs with terminals at San Francisco in the north and Los Angeles in the south.

When the S.S. *Ohio* arrived in San Pedro from Honolulu on March 31, 1907 with 247 passengers, it was the first regular passenger steamer ever to dock in San Pedro from Hawaii. The voyage also marked the beginning of an active commerce between these two ports.

Gov. James N. Gillet, on March 22, 1909 signed a legislative act which provided for an \$18,000,000 bond issue for the construction of California's first State highway system.

On March 4, 1911, the first laws were enacted making it a misdemeanor for anyone to operate any power vehicle under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

On the first overland journey from Sonora [Mexico] to California, Juan Bautista de Anza reached Misión San Gabriel on March 22, 1774.

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La Maquina de Vaho

by Dorothy Fansler

LESS than ninety years ago Southern California's only railroad had signs along its right of way which read, "Cuidado por la Maquina de Vaho del Camino de Fierro" (Look out for the Steam Engine on the Road of Iron.) It wasn't a very big railroad, for it extended only from the Wilmington wharf to Los Angeles, a distance of 21 miles. Its importance lay in the fact that it brought the sea close to the city.

Before it was built cargo had been hauled in mule drawn freight wagons from San Pedro Bay. Considering the type of transportation involved, it was quite efficient because of the intense rivalry between the forwarding companies of Phineas Banning of Wilmington and John J. Tomlinson of San Pedro.

On May 17, 1861, the State Legislature granted a franchise to build a railroad from Los Angeles to the sea. Due, no doubt, to the outbreak of the Civil War, this initial venture came to naught. Phineas Banning became the champion of the proposed railroad and in 1866, after his election to the State Senate, he introduced a bill providing for a line to the harbor. However, opposition from local taxpayers defeated the measure.

Early in 1868 Banning presented another railroad bill to the Legislature which provided that bonds should be issued in the sum of \$150,000 by the County and \$75,000 by the City, all subject to the will of the voters. An election was set for March 24 and a hot campaign ensued. Two weeks before the day of decision Tomlinson died and with his passing some of the opposition to the bonds collapsed. However, the bonds carried by the narrow margin of only 700 to 672.

Thereafter the *Los Angeles and San Pedro Railroad Company* was formed with a board of directors consisting of Phineas Banning, John G. Downey, Dr. John S. Griffin, Ben-



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The "San Gabriel," first locomotive of the *Los Angeles and San Pedro Railroad Company*, arrived at Wilmington Wharf on January 11, 1869.

jamin D. Wilson, Ozro W. Childs and Matthew Keller. Of the 5,000 shares of stock issued, Banning subscribed for 2,900.

The building of the railroad commenced on September 19, 1868, with a ground-breaking ceremony at Wilmington. It was a day replete with pomp, ceremony and speechmaking, climaxed with a grand ball held at the Wilmington Exchange Hotel.

Following the grading of the roadbed the tracklayers moved northward. By reason of an iron shortage only three miles of track had been completed by the end of the year.

On January 11, 1869, the railroad's first locomotive, the tiny *San Gabriel*, arrived at the wharf and was rolled onto the tracks. She was immediately put to work hauling rails and cross ties to the scene of building operations. Local workshops at Wilmington constructed passenger coaches and freight cars. Being a pioneer venture, the work progressed very well, but not fast enough for impatient farmers who feared that the road would not be completed in time to haul their grain crop to market. There was reason for their uneasiness for by June, 1869, only six miles of track had been finished.

To make things more complicated a group of residents in Los Angeles objected to rails being laid down Alameda Street and obtained an in-

junction which temporarily stopped work. Then the little *San Gabriel* collapsed from overwork. Repairs were made and on September 7 she chugged into the depot in Los Angeles at the southwest corner of Alameda and Commercial Streets. On the following morning the road's first passengers rode to Wilmington.

A new locomotive arrived with the misspelled name of *Los Angeles* and on October 29 she hauled 1,500 excursionists on a free trip to Wilmington. After a glorious day at the harbor the merry-makers returned to Los Angeles in the evening where they were feted at a big dance at the depot. The army band from Drum Barracks furnished the music.

Commencing on November 1, Banning started a schedule of two trains daily. The tariff for general freight was five dollars a ton while the passenger fare from Los Angeles to the San Pedro anchorage was \$2.50. From the very beginning, business was good.

The locomotive was a great novelty to Californians most of whom had never seen a train. Vaqueros enjoyed racing their mustangs against the iron horse. For short distances they could outrun "La Maquina de Vaho," but in the long run they always lost. Somehow these races symbolized the end of one era and the commencement of another.

BIRTH OF WILMINGTON

by Esterlee May



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Phineas Banning, Founder of Wilmington.

THIS YEAR Wilmington is celebrating its hundredth birthday. Actually its history is much older for just fifty years after Columbus discovered America, Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo sailed northward along the California Coast.

On October 7, 1542, he entered San Pedro Bay. According to a diary kept of the voyage, "they drew near to the mainland in a large bay which they called *Bahia de los Fumos* [Bay of Smokes] because of the many smokes which they saw on it . . . This bay . . . is a good port and the country is good, with many valleys, plains and groves." Whether the smoke described by Cabrillo came from an accidental fire or was one set by the Indians for a rabbit hunt is unknown. Without question the explorer was favorably impressed with what he saw.

Sixty years later, on November 26, 1602, Sebastian Vizcaino anchored in the bay which he called *Ensenada de San Andrés* [Bight of St. Andrew]. It appears that Vizcaino had gotten his saints mixed up for when his report was examined by the cosmographer, Cabrera Bueno, the latter ascertained that November 26 was the feast day of St. Peter, Bishop of Alexandria, who had been beheaded on November 26, 268, during a Christian persecution. So the name of the bay was changed to *San Pedro*.

In 1769 the Spanish came to California to colonize it. An expedition under Gaspar de Portolá marched northward from San Diego to San Francisco Bay. Missions were founded and towns established. San Pedro Bay became a port of call to accommodate San Gabriel Mission and the nearby pueblo of *Nuestra Señora la Reina de Los Angeles de Porciuncula*.

Governor Pedro Fages in 1784 granted unto Juan José Dominguez, a veteran of the Portolá party, permission to settle on a tract of land

on the San Gabriel River near the coast. (In those days the San Gabriel followed the channel of the Los Angeles River where it empties into the ocean.) This land became known as Rancho San Pedro and embraces present day Wilmington.

Juan José Dominguez, a bachelor, became blind and spent his last years at San Juan Capistrano. Upon his death Rancho San Pedro became the property of his nephew, Cristobal who died in 1825. Cristobal's son, Manuel, took over the operation of the land. He proved himself an efficient rancher and during the great pastoral period before the Mexican War, San Pedro Bay became the largest hide-shipping port on the Pacific coast.

In October, 1852, Manuel Dominguez and other members of his family filed a claim with the United States Land Commission asking that their holdings be confirmed to them. This was speedily done, but somewhat more tardily, on December 18, 1858, a patent was granted for Rancho San Pedro embracing an area of 43,000 acres.

When young Phineas Banning arrived at San Pedro in 1851 he was astounded to learn that there were no wharves nor docking facilities except Sepulveda's Landing which could not accommodate ocean going vessels. Ships were compelled to anchor off shore and transfer their cargo into small boats which were rowed to shore. Much merchandise was landed directly on the beach frequently after having suffered a drenching of sea water.

Banning, who was the founder of Wilmington, got his first job in California with the firm of Douglass & Sanford, which operated a forwarding and commission business in a small hut on the beach on San Pedro Bay. Their competitors were Temple & Alexander who possessed more capital and better equipment.

About this time Sepulveda's Landing was purchased by Augustus Timms, a German, who renamed his holdings Timms' Landing. Timms appears to have been a somewhat disagreeable gentleman, at least in the eyes of Phineas Banning who became his important rival and competitor.

When John Temple withdrew from the firm of Temple & Alexander, David Alexander tendered the industrious Banning a partnership

which he accepted with the blessing of his employers. The new firm of Alexander & Banning imported 168 mules and 14 heavy freight wagons from Mexico and launched an ambitious freighting business to Los Angeles, San Bernardino and outlying ranchos. Timms found this competition hard.

San Pedro Bay took on added importance when Congress made it a Port of Entry with Abel Stearns as Collector of Customs. In 1853, Alexander & Banning improved their position by buying out the firm of Douglass & Sanford and by importing four excellent new Concord stages. Passengers could now ride in comfort. It was a proud day for Banning when he drove the first of these excellent vehicles to the Bella Union in Los Angeles.

The first step towards the establishment of Wilmington took place on December 22, 1854, when Manuel Dominguez deeded 2400 acres of land to Benjamin D. Wilson, W. T. B. Sanford and John G. Downey for \$5 an acre. This tract includes two-thirds of what became Wilmington. According to an early legal description of this land it fronted "on an estuary of the sea which enters from the port of San Pedro, commencing near some sunken barrels, near the line of Rancho Los Palos Verdes."

In the meantime Banning and his partner purchased from the neighboring Sepulvedas a piece of land on the beach near Timms' Landing. There they erected a small wharf. For the time being Banning had to be content to visualize the future. That Los Angeles County needed a protected harbor there was no question. Twenty years before, in his popular book, *Two Years Before the Mast*, Richard Henry Dana, Jr. had described a storm at San Pedro when "the whole bay, for a league out, was filled with the foam of the breakers, and seas actually broke over the Dead Man's Island."

In 1857 Banning purchased several hundred acres of land at the head of what was then called San Pedro Slough. This location had the protection of Rattlesnake Island (now Terminal Island) from the open sea. In the following spring a "southeaster" caused damage at San Pedro. Banning's yacht *Medora* and his wharf were smashed by the waves and a considerable stock of

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Breakwater extending to Dead Man's Island. This island was removed from the Bay in 1928.



Wilmington Exchange Hotel in 1863. In front is one of Banning's stages.



Wilmington Hall and United States Quartermaster's Quarters in 1862.



Banning's Wharf in 1870 showing train.



A scene of Drum Barracks during the Civil War. Note soldiers in uniform. In the center is one of the camels imported by the War Department in 1856 through the efforts of Secretary of War Jefferson Davis. Used for transportation purposes, these camels proved unpopular at Drum Barracks and the commanding officer asked that they be sent to Fort Mohave.

DRUM BARRACKS, an important military post during the Civil War, was situated at Wilmington on a 60 acre tract of land sold to the United States Government for one dollar by Phineas Banning and Benjamin D. Wilson.

It served as a busy depot for outfitting troops, furnishing them with supplies, and for training recruits. At one time several thousand soldiers were stationed there. Their presence served as a deterrent to a strong Secessionist element in Los Angeles as well as a defense against a threatened Confederate invasion of California by way of Mexico.

The post, which was established in September, 1861, was first called *Camp Drum* in honor of Major Richard C. Drum, assistant adjutant-general at San Francisco. The Fourth California Volunteer Infantry, which had formerly been stationed at Camp Latham, near the site of the present city of Redondo, moved its headquarters to Camp Drum in September, 1862, and remained there until the end of the war. The post was given the name of *Drum Barracks* in October, 1862.

Phineas Banning figured largely in the erection of buildings at Camp Drum. Barracks for the soldiers were built from local lumber while the two structures which housed the officers were "ready-cut" buildings whose materials were shipped

around the Horn from the Portsmouth Navy Yard and assembled at Wilmington. In addition to a hospital and other improvements installed at the post, the government erected an immense warehouse near the wharf.

No one knows exactly how much money was spent on Drum Barracks. Estimates vary from \$250,000 to one million dollars. Today, only two of the old buildings remain: the officers' quarters at 1053-1055 Cary Avenue (which was marked by *Rudcinda* Parlor No. 230, N.D.G.W., on October 2, 1927) and the old powder magazine which is now part of a

Drum Barracks

by Leo J. Friis

dwelling at the northwest corner of Lecouvreur and Opp Streets.

Drum Barracks was an important center for forwarding military supplies to troops in Southern California, Utah, Arizona and New Mexico. It was from here, on April 6, 1862, that Gen. James H. Carleton left with his famous "California Column" of 2,000 men which drove the Confederates out of New Mexico. Economically, Drum Barracks was a business boon to both Wilmington and Los Angeles. However, the troops and civilian employees at the post experienced financial difficulties for they were paid off in greenbacks which could only be cashed at exorbitant discount rates.

The forces at Drum Barracks kept a strict surveillance on Los Angeles where Southern sympathizers were very outspoken. In 1862, E. J. C. Kewen, California's first attorney-general, and then assemblyman from

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Old Guard House of Drum Barracks. Photo taken many years after Civil War.

THIS YEAR marks Wilmington's Centennial. A year long program has been planned in which the Native Daughters of Wilmington Parlor No. 278 are taking an active part in the various events each month.

In the Wilmington Centennial Exhibition Hall, 934 N. Avalon Blvd., more than 500 pictures are on display. Manuel Mello, a Native Son, is the chief historian and director of the exhibit. Native Daughters garbed in gowns of pioneer vintage welcome visitors who have come to examine pictures of Wilmington from 1850 to the present day, and view articles of antiquity including a camera used by Plineas Banning, a working cannon used to start yacht races, a sewing machine, old furniture and one of the first telephones used in the city.

February was "Spruce-up" month. The Parlor members cleaned up all the city's historical markers placed



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From left: Dorothy Fansler and Esterlee May of Wilmington Parlor No. 278, N.D.G.W.; James J. Friis, publisher of *California Herald*; and Manuel V. Mello, Chief Historian of the Wilmington Centennial, examine Mello's valuable collection of pictures of early Wilmington.



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LEFT: Visitors at Wilmington Centennial Exhibition Hall. Hosts and hostesses are in pioneer costume. RIGHT: Donald P. Loker, president of the Wilmington Centennial Association, discusses plans with Dean R. Hatfield, of Harbor Junior College, and Mary Griffith, Past President of Wilmington Parlor No. 278, N.D.G.W.

by Parlors of Native Sons or Daughters. Members helped in the planting and distributing of wildflower seeds, and appeared in the Wilmington and San Pedro Community Sings to advertise the Centennial events.

On March 23 the Wisteria Festival, held in Banning Park, will feature the popular Mexican Tipica orchestra. A two hour program will include colorful Spanish dances, novelties and music. The Native Daughters will assist as hostesses. This is the opening day of Banning Manor at which all will be admitted free on conducted tours of the historic home where the guest book will be in charge of Native Daughters.

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Wilmington Centennial

by Catherine Erven

PARLOR ACTIVITIES

FLAG PRESENTED

In a very colorful ceremony, *East Los Angeles Parlor No. 266 N.D.G.W.* presented the California Bear Flag to E. M. Scott, president-elect of the Montebello Community Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. William Wooster, president of the Parlor, made the presentation. A brief history of the Bear Flag was given by Kathleen Wooster. Marie Demarzo, Nancy Allen, Ellen Stanley and Judy Mitchelson, of Girl Scout Troop No. 32, presented the colors.

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PIONEER HONORED

San Luisita Parlor No. 108 N.D.G.W. honored 90 year old Mrs. Satira Gano, pioneer of San Luis Obispo at a reception. Guests from Morro Bay, Paso Robles, San Miguel and Arroyo Grande came to pay homage to the gracious little lady who had made California her home for 70 years.

Mrs. Gano was escorted to her seat of honor by her daughter, Mrs. Grant Hansen. Mrs. Douglas Parsons, mistress of ceremonies, gave the story of the honoree's life, highlighted by appropriate songs played by Mrs. I. O. Heydenfelt. A presentation was made by Mrs. Margie Tomasini, on behalf of the past president's Golden Poppy Club, and a



LEFT: E. M. Scott, president-elect of Montebello Chamber of Commerce, receives Bear Flag from Mrs. Wm. Wooster, President of East Los Angeles Parlor No. 266. At right: Councilman Douglas Spears. RIGHT: Mrs. Satira Gano honored. From left: Mrs. Douglas Parsons, mistress of ceremonies; Mrs. Grant Hansen, daughter of Mrs. Gano; Mrs. Gano, and Mrs. Olive Smith.

bouquet of red roses was presented in the name of the Native Sons of the Golden West by Frank Rios.

The center of interest in the banquet room was the birthday cake bearing Mrs. Gano's name and "90 Years Young." Mrs. Ena Vreeland and Mrs. Maydie Brophy poured. Much of the success of the evening is due to Mesdames Epperly, Gamboni, Ross, Parsons and Tomasini. The past presidents acted as hostesses for the evening.

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"CHILDREN'S FANTASY"

"Children's Fantasy" was the theme of the first breakfast sponsored by the Deputy Grand Presidents of Alameda and part of Contra Costa Counties and their Supervising District Deputy Grand President, Mil-

dred Schilling of *Hayward Parlor No. 122*. The affair was held at Hotel Claremont, March 2.

Speaker of the day was Miss Jewel McSweeney, Past Grand President N.D.G.W. and State Chairman for Children's Foundation. Mrs. Edna Williams, Grand Trustee offered the prayer. Special guests included Irma M. Caton, Grand President N.D.G.W.; Larry Lafleur, Grand President, N.S.G.W.; Mrs. Lafleur, and Sallie R. Thaler, Grand Secretary, N.D.G.W.

The affair was a success and a nice sum was realized for the Children's Foundation Fund.

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HEALTH FUND BENEFIT

The second annual Breakfast to be sponsored for the Leslye A. Hicks Home Health Fund is scheduled for Sunday Morning, March 9th at the Native Daughters of the Golden West Home in San Francisco.

This Project is set up to aid the ladies residing in the Home insofar as medical assistance is concerned.

The members of the committee are: Margaret Locatelli of *Bonita Parlor No. 10*, Redwood City, Chairman; Josephine T. Sullivan, Grand Trustee, *Buena Vista Parlor No. 68*, San Francisco and Edna Garaventa of *San Francisco Parlor No. 261*, San Francisco.

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Pasadena Historical Tea. From left: Mrs. Warren Bagby; Mrs. John Tighe, President of Pasadena Parlor No. 290, N.D.G.W.; 3rd Vice President Mrs. Helen Knoles; Past President Mrs. Lloyd Rice; 2nd Vice President Mrs. Russell Metcalfe, Miss Barbara Metcalfe, Mrs. Charley Odem, Miss Deborah Metcalfe and Miss Ellen Sparks.

HISTORICAL ROOM DEDICATED

Seven members of *Pasadena Parlor No. 290* served at the dedication of the historical room in the Pasadena Main Public Library. They wore costumes which are part of an interesting collection belonging to Mrs. Warren Bagby, a member of the Parlor.

Over 500 persons attended the dedication which was held Sunday, January 26. Representatives of the municipality and of historical organizations participated. The opening of the historical room is a part of the celebration of Pasadena's 84th birthday.

An outstanding feature of this exhibit is a rosewood piano, often called the million dollar piano because, in the early eighties Colonel Banbury traded five acres of land at the southeast corner of Colorado and Marengo streets for the piano. This room will be open to the public on each Wednesday and Friday from two to five in the afternoon.

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AWARDS PRESENTED

Sutter Parlor No. 111, for the last 8 years, has sponsored an annual essay contest on California History. This year's topic was "Famous California Firsts." All of the 10 Junior Highs of Sacramento qualified to send entries participated with the

result that there were 103 student entries.

The winners were: Barbara Cooper, Joaquin Miller Junior High School, won \$10 first prize with "Grizzly Adams First Zoo"; Rich McWilliams, Kit Carson Junior High School, \$7.50 second prize with "California's First National Park — Yosemite"; and Carolyn Shaffer, St. Joseph's Academy, \$5 third prize with the essay "California's First Newspaper."

Judges for the contest were Frank Christy, Grand Inside Sentinel N.S.G.W. and a member of *Sunset Parlor No. 26*; Coral Davis, *Sutter Parlor No. 111* and Irene Smedberg, D.G.P. to *Sutter Parlor* and member of *Liberty Parlor No. 213*. Wilma Gutenberg, *Sutter Parlor No. 111* was chairman of the essay contest this year.



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- 5 Copa de Oro No. 105, and San Juan Bautista No. 179.....*Hollister
- 6 Yerba Buena No. 273 — afternoon.....*San Francisco
- 8 Santa Clara County Luncheon
- 9 Leslye A. Hicks Home Health Fund Breakfast.....San Francisco
- 10 Ukiah No. 263.....*Ukiah
- 11 Reichling No. 97, Onconota No. 71 and Occident No. 28.....*Fortuna
- 13 San Bruno No. 246 and Menlo No. 211.....*San Bruno
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- 20 Eldora No. 248 and Oakdale No. 125.....*Turlock
- 21 Waucona No. 271, Fresno No. 187 and Selma No. 313.....*Fresno
- 23 Southern Counties Childrens Foundation Breakfast.....Beverly Hills
- 24 Genevieve No. 132, Fremont No. 59, and Guadalupe No. 153.....*San Francisco
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- 29 San Gabriel Valley No. 281, Rancho San Jose No. 307, Whittier No. 298, East Los Angeles No. 266, and Pasadena No. 290.....*Whittier

APRIL

- 1 San Miguel No. 94, San Luisita No. 108 and El Pinal No. 163.....*San Luis Obispo
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- 11 Aloha No. 106 and Piedmont No. 87.....*Oakland
- 12 San Mateo County Deputy Grand Presidents Luncheon
- 13 Sonoma and Marin Counties, N.S.G.W. and N.D.G.W. "Meet Your Neighbor" Breakfast
- 15 Clear Lake No. 135 and La Junta No. 203.....*St. Helena
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TO JUNIOR UNITS

BY GRAND MARSHAL MAXIENE PORTER

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| Tues., March 25 | Santa Rosa No. 31 | Santa Rosa |
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| Sat., March 3 | Palomar No. 24 | San Diego |
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GRAND PRESIDENT . . .

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of the Golden West for another "First."

January 30th on my visit to District No. 38, San Bernardino County, it was my pleasure to appear on Radio Station KITO from the Mission Inn at Riverside, a program sponsored by The Harris Co. called "Ladies in the News" with Mrs. Marjorie Bright Sharpe, their Women's Director. It was an informal interview touching on several projects of our Order, and my thanks to S.D.D.G.P. Floretta Banks for arranging the interview.

January 31st, another "First." Junior Unit "Estrella Del Mar" No. 35 (Star of the Sea) sponsored by Tierra del Rey Parlor No. 300, was instituted. This is the 18th unit of Junior Native Daughters in our State and the "first" in Los Angeles County. From the attendance of the Senior Parlor members from many districts, who saw the institution and installation work put on by Palomar Unit No. 24, San Diego and Assistencia Unit No. 20, San Bernardino, I feel more of the parlors in our southern counties will become enthused and more units organized. My thanks to Maxiene Porter, Grand Marshal and State Chairman of Junior Native Daughters for a most pleasurable week in the Southland.

It was so very nice visiting with members I have not seen for several years and getting acquainted with new members of our Order. I am looking forward to my other visits in the south in the very near future.

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GRAND PRESIDENT HONORED

When Irma M. Caton, Grand President N.D.G.W. paid her official visit to District 40 at Escondido, San Diego County, the three Parlors who participated were Guajome Parlor No. 297, the hostess Parlor, San Diego Parlor No. 208 and Las Flores del Mar Parlor No. 301, Oceanside. A dinner at Fireside Inn preceded the meeting.

Mrs. Elvera Wittenberg of San Diego, Deputy Grand President to Guajome, introduced Mayor Turrentine of Escondido who welcomed the Parlors and presented the Grand President with a key to the city. Mrs. Caton was accompanied by Grand Marshal Maxiene Porter and Grand Trustee Dorothy Helm.

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Lugonia No. 241, San Bernardino—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday, V.F.W. Hall, 631 "G" St.; Mrs. Ivy Carr, Rec. Sec., 1159 E. 26th Street, San Bernardino.

Ontario No. 251, Ontario—Meets 1st Wednesday, Upland Women's Club, 3rd Wednesday, elsewhere as designated.

SAN DIEGO COUNTY

San Diego No. 208, San Diego—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, House of Hospitality, Balboa Park; Mrs. Dorothy Ritter, Rec. Sec., 2430 Union Street, San Diego.

Valume No. 297, Escondido—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, V.F.W. Hall, 11th and Maple St.; Mrs. Georgia Turrentine, Rec. Sec., 208 East 5th Ave., Escondido.

Las Flores Del Mar No. 301, Oceanside—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 1504 Missouri; Mrs. Elizabeth Salisbury, Rec. Sec., 1504 Missouri, Oceanside.

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SAN FRANCISCO CITY AND COUNTY

Minerva No. 2, San Francisco—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday, Dovre Hall, 3543 18th St.; Mrs. Mary Oertwig, Rec. Sec., 228 Irving St.

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Oro Fino No. 9, San Francisco—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, Native Daughters Home; Mrs. Mary Barron, Rec. Sec., 961 Geneva Ave.

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Gabrielle No. 139, San Francisco—Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday, Serra Hall, 863 18th St.; Mrs. Helen Larsen, Rec. Sec., 923 Edinburgh St.

Presidio No. 148, San Francisco—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, N.S.G.W. Bldg., 414 Mason St.; Mrs. Hattie Gaughan, Rec. Sec., 2900 21st St.

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El Pinal No. 163. Cambria—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, Masonic Hall; Mrs. Katie Jewett, Rec. Sec., Box 85, Cambria.

SAN MATEO COUNTY

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Valle del Mar No. 183. Half Moon Bay—Meets 1st Tuesday, IOOF Hall; Mrs. Marion Miramontes, Rec. Sec., P. O. Box 237, Half Moon Bay.

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El Carmelo No. 181. Daly City—Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday, Masonic Hall; Mrs. Christine Hume, Rec. Sec., 1855 Lincoln St., Daly City.

Menlo No. 211. Menlo Park—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, Menlo Civic Center; Mrs. Patricia Kazar, Rec. Sec., P.O. Box 134, Menlo Park.

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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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Santa Maria No. 275. Santa Maria—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, D.E.S. Hall, 614 W. Chapel; Mrs. Blanche Powell, Rec. Sec., 508 S. Lincoln, Santa Maria.

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SANTA CLARA COUNTY

San Jose No. 81. San Jose—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday, Catholic Women's Center, 5th and San Fernando; Mrs. Lucille M. Castro, Rec. Sec., 322 Vine St.

Leadome No. 100. San Jose—Meets 2nd and 4th Thursday, Catholic Women's Center, 5th and San Fernando; Mrs. Susie T. Engler, Rec. Sec., 1301 Glen View, San Jose.

El Monte No. 204. Mountain View—Meets 2nd and 4th Friday, Mountain View Women's Clubhouse; Mrs. Henrietta Marcotte, Rec. Sec., P.O. Box 75, Cupertino.

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Mrs. Evelyn Della-Santo, Rec. Sec., P. O. Box 71, Gilroy.

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El Palmar No. 35. Watsonville—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, IOOF Hall; Mrs. Viola Clough, Rec. Sec., 43 Evelyn Ave., Watsonville.

SHASTA COUNTY

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SIERRA COUNTY

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Imago No. 134. Sierraerville—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday, Copren's Hall; Mrs. Jennie Copren, Rec. Sec., Sierraerville.

Loyal No. 264. Loyalton—Meets 2nd Tuesday, I.O.O.F. Hall; Mrs. Selma Genasci, Rec. Sec., Loyalton.

Sierra No. 268. Allegheny—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday, F. & A. M. Hall; Mrs. Rachael Kuhfeld, Rec. Sec., Box 961, Allegheny.

SISKIYOU COUNTY

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Siskiyou No. 319. Mt. Shasta—Meets 1st and 3rd Monday, Parish Hall; Mrs. Grace Pickthorn, Rec. Sec., P.O. Box 697, Dunsmuir.

SOLANO COUNTY

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Benicia No. 287. Benicia—Meets 2nd and 4th Thursday, Institute Hall; Winifred Poole, Rec. Sec., 321 E. "L" St., Benicia.

Vacaville No. 293. Vacaville—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, Saturday Clubhouse, Kendal and Chandler Sts.; Ruth Molsed, Rec. Sec., Route 2, Box 1090, Vacaville.

SONOMA COUNTY

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Santa Rosa No. 217. Santa Rosa—Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday, Native Sons Hall; Mrs. Ruth Smith, Rec. Sec., 3243 Magowan Drive, Santa Rosa.

Petaluma No. 222. Petaluma—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, Dana Hall; Mrs. Irene Bloom, Rec. Sec., 35-A Laurel Ave., Petaluma.

Sebastopol No. 265. Sebastopol—Meets 2nd and 4th Friday, IOOF Hall; Mrs. Iloh Thorp, Rec. Sec., 436 Parquet, Sebastopol.

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TRINITY COUNTY

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TULARE COUNTY

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Tule Vista No. 305. Porterville—Meets 2nd and 4th Thursday, Fraternal Center, North Street; Mrs. Maud E. Waller, Rec. Sec., 255 Oak St., Porterville.

TUOLUMNE COUNTY

Dardanelle No. 68. Sonora—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, IOOF Hall; Isabel Wright, Rec. Sec., P. O. Box 239, Sonora.

Golden Era No. 99. Columbia—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday, N.S.G.W. Hall; Mrs. Irene Ponce, Rec. Sec., P. O. Box 105, Columbia.

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VENTURA COUNTY

Las Tres Vistas No. 302. Oxnard—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday, Portuguese Crown Club; Mrs. Sarah Gonzales Campos, Rec. Sec., 1289 S. I St., Oxnard.

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Sinistetta No. 318. Ventura—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, I.O.O.F. Hall; Mrs. Ethel Henry, Rec. Sec., 49 E. Santa Clara, Ventura.

YOLO COUNTY

Woodland No. 90. Woodland—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, IOOF Hall, 3rd and Main Sts.; Mrs. Gladys Niemann, Rec. Sec., 320 Third St., Woodland.

YUBA COUNTY

Marysville No. 162. Marysville—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday, Memorial Auditorium, Marysville; Mrs. Evelyn Eden, Rec. Sec., 669 Chestnut St., Yuba City.

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Book Reviews

Books West Southwest, by Lawrence Clark Powell. Los Angeles. Ward Richie Press, \$4.50.

The author, who is the librarian of the University of California at Los Angeles, has given us another book of excellent literary essays on the Southwest. Dr. Powell has presented his views on the geographical meaning of "southwest" a term about which there is much good-natured controversy.

The first articles have to do with that part of the southwest which is east of California. The most interesting essay in this group is the one entitled, "Mr. Southwest," a story about J. Frank Dobie of Texas.

The remaining six essays are divided equally between "North of the Tehachapis" and "South of the Tehachapis." He has some interesting things to say about the poet Robinson Jeffers and his article called "Street of the Second-hand Bookshops" will bring a feeling of nostalgia to old residents of Los Angeles.

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Vigilante Justice, by Alan Valentine, Reynal & Company, New York, \$3.50.

This is an excellent account of the San Francisco Committees of Vigilance of 1851 and 1856. The author, a former president of the University of Rochester, presents in less than 200 pages a well rounded story of exciting pioneer days.

Starting at a rather slow tempo, the book rapidly develops an interesting style. This volume will prove welcome to those who have read little about the Vigilantes.

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Snowshoe Thompson, by Adrien Stoutenburg and Laura Nelson Baker. Illustrated by Victor DePauw. New York. Charles Scribner's Sons, \$2.95.

Snowshoe Thompson should be known by every Californian. His fabulous trips over the mountains on skis carrying mail (for which he was never paid) are part of California's great pioneer history. Only a man with superhuman endurance could do what he did to save the life of James Sisson. The authors have written of this experience in a most admirable and vivid manner. They have also presented an interesting account of the early Nevada silver strike, as well as an exciting picture of Snowshoe's part in a fight with the Piute Indians.

In her work as supervisor of the Manuscripts Reading Room of the Bancroft Library Mrs. Baker became interested in the story of Thompson. She has written two adult books and many short stories.

Adrien Stoutenburg has written a number of books for children as well as many poems which have appeared in national magazines.

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Tom: "Say, Bill, how did you get that swelling on your nose?"

Bill: "Oh, I bent down to smell a brose in my garden."

Tom: "Not brose, Bill, r-o-se-. There is no 'B' in rose."

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LETTERS FROM OLD SHASTA

part 2

"Shasta, Dec. 24th, 1854

"Dear Mother,

"Your note of Oct. 22 came to hand in good time. I am sorry you are so disappointed at my not returning. Could I do so with as much money as Knowles brings or the half of it, I would, but as it is I now think my stay in California will be long, but I intend coming home to visit you as soon as I can, consistently with my means. I hope to see you next winter, but cannot promise.

"Since writing you Mr. Bartlett and myself have bought out our partners. I remain in Shasta. Mr. B. goes to San Francisco to start a commission business. I expect he will stay there. We have entered into co-partnership for the term of two years and a half from the 12th of this month. At the expiration of that time I think my pile will be large enough....

"In regard to William, I hardly know what to say. You find the

same fault with him that was found with me when younger, that is a lack of energy of character. Now in my case I think it was not so much a lack of energy as it was a want of opportunity for using energy. You know my Father was always kind to me, supplied all my wants; nay, he anticipated them until I was about spoiled. I had no occasion to show force or energy of character and being naturally inclined to take the easiest way I did so, never thinking but that I would always have a Father. Now could you have been with me in California these four years you would not say I lacked energy. I have no one to look out for me. I will tell you what I now think. Had I been left to shift for myself at the age of 18 I would have been twice the man I now am. I am afraid this is the way with William. He depends too much on you and as long as you anticipate all his wants will lack energy.... If I give advise or write what you do not like, pardon me as my motives are good....

"I cannot write more. Frank Young has just come down from Weaver visiting. He has written you a short note and begs your acceptance of the clasp enclosed.

"Your letter brings to mind many a pleasant hour past at home. Give my love to all. Tell Ellen I may shove her out the window if she don't grow too fat. Love to Abby, Eddy and William....

"Please write soon and oblige,

"Your Affectionate Son
 Saml. B. Westcott.
 (To Be Continued)

GRAND PRESIDENT HONORED

Irma M. Caton, Grand President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, was honored by six Parlor on one of her official visits to the Southland, Friday evening, February 28th, at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium, Culver City, preceded by a dinner in her honor.

Chairman of the joint program was Mrs. Francis W. Sullivan, S.D.D.G.P., *Beverly Hills* Parlor. Her assistants were the presidents of the six parlors; Mmes. P. M. Crawford, *Californiana*; Vance Miller, *Verdugo*; Glenn T. Hite, *La Tijera*; Percy Collings, *Beverly Hills*; Vivian G. Morse, *Los Angeles*; Don Smith, *Tierra Del Rey*; and their Deputy Grand Presidents; Mmes. Charles A. Perry, *Rancho San Jose*; George Dittmar, *La Tijera*; LeRoy Rose, *Los Angeles*; Irvin N. Huffman, *Toluca*; Leland H. Smith, *Placerita*; and Wm. H. Garner, *Verdugo* Parlor.

Miss Clea Alyce Mitchell and Mrs. Idell K. Moye gave the musical program. Exemplification of the ritualistic work of the order was participated in by officers of the six parlors. A presentation was made to Mrs. Caton for the Children's Foundation Project.

PLANS MADE

El Aliso Parlor No. 314 N.D.G.W. is planning a style show to be held March 14 at the Santa Paula High School Auditorium. The commentator will be Terrea Lea of radio and TV fame. Fashions will be shown for the entire family. The committee in charge of the affair includes Shirley Carter, chairman; Ida Mayhew, Helen Derbyshire, Jane Powell and Joy Muir.

GRAND PRESIDENT PAYS VISIT

Dolores, *Mission* and *Castro* Parlors, N.D.G.W., are planning for the official visit of Grand President Irma M. Caton, April 9 at the N.D.G.W. Home, 555 Baker St., San Francisco. P.G.P. Evelyn I. Carlson has been appointed chairman for *Dolores* Parlor. Generous checks for the various projects will be presented on this occasion.

Dolores Parlor also has underway plans for the observance of its 50th anniversary in January 1959. The ways and means committee include Treasurer Marie Puts, Audrey Cohn and Yvonne Pierce.

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Piedmont Parlor No. 87 N.D.G.W. of Oakland, celebrated its 62nd birthday with a dinner at Zombie Village. Chairman Joan Robin and her committee decorated the tables with variegated carnations of red and white, the Parlor's colors. Special guests for the evening were Jean Moriarty, President of *Piedmont* Parlor No. 87 and D.D.G.P. Claudia Evans, of *Argonaut* Parlor No. 166.



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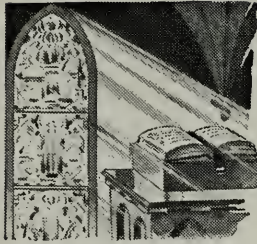
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Nellie Zimmerman McHenry, Tule Vista No. 305, January 18
Madeline O'Kane Maloney, Twin Peaks No. 185, January 15
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Alice McHenry Bartoldus, Tule Vista No. 305, January 21
May C. Boldemann, P.G.P., La Estrella No. 89, February 1

SUFFRAGETTE

Christabel Pankhurst, 77, former militant English suffragette, passed away at her home in Santa Monica on February 13. She, her mother Emmeline and sister Sylvia were pioneer leaders in the campaign to obtain the voting privilege for women.

King George V conferred upon her the honor of Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire. She came to this country about 25 years ago.

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The N.D.G.W. Home Breakfast was sponsored by S.D.D.G.P. Frances Simas and the 26 Deputy Grand President of San Francisco County. Decorations carried out the "United Nations" theme. The pledge to the flag was led by D.G.P. Anita Gillick, *Twin Peaks* Parlor. The invocation was led by D.G.P. Florence Conklin, *Presidio* Parlor. Chairman Irene Crowley, *Genevieve* Parlor, welcomed the guests and presented S.D.D.G.P. Frances Simas, *Oro Fino* Parlor, who extended her greetings to those present. Speaker of the day was Mrs. Richard Simon who spoke on the "United Nations Assembly." Eda Morelli and Helen Heer presented the music.

D.G.P. Irene Crowley, on behalf of the hostess group expressed appreciation to P.G.P. Ann Thuesen, Chairman of the Home Board, and to Mrs. Nash, Home manager. A silex coffee maker was then presented as a gift. Mrs. Simas introduced Irma M. Caton Grand President, N.D.G.W. and Larry J. Lafleur, Grand President N.S.G.W. and presented other dignitaries present.

LA TIJERA PARLOR

Formal invitations have been issued by *La Tijera* Parlor No. 282 N.D.G.W. to all Grand Officers, Past Grand Presidents, Deputies and Supervisors as well as to officers and members of all Parlors in Southern California. The affair, which is to be held March 18 at 501 S. Greville Ave., Inglewood, will honor Mrs. Dale Porter, Grand Marshal N.D.G.W. and a past president of *La Tijera* Parlor; Mrs. Irvin Huffman of *Toluca* Parlor No. 279, Deputy Grand President to *La Tijera* Parlor and Mrs. Senaida Sullivan of *Beverly Hills* Parlor No. 289, Supervising District Deputy Grand President to District 36.

Past Presidents will welcome the guests. The home cooked dinner will be in charge of Mrs. Elmer Crumley and her committee. Mrs. Richard Covert will be in charge of the dining room. The program "No Telling, Come See" has been arranged by Mrs. Martha Dallons.

Reservations must be made before Tuesday, March 11, with Mrs. Richard Wilds, OR 7-4339 or with Mrs. Mary Louise Gill, OR 8-1442.

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Golden Gate Parlor No. 158, N.D.G.W., San Francisco, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary at a dinner in the beautiful Gold Room of the Fairmont Hotel. One hundred and seventy five members and friends joined to honor *Golden Gate* Parlor's Charter Members. Chairman of the evening was Past Grand President Claire Lindsey and Co-chairman was Mary Mahoney.

Three charter members, Louise Barthold, Anna Fedderson and Lillian Bockman were presented with their fifty year pins by Grand President Irma Caton. Two other charter members, Clara Strohmeier and Frieda Bode were unable to be present due to illness. Mrs. Ethel Bode, a member of the Parlor and daughter of charter member Clara Strohmeier accepted her mother's fifty year pin stating that her father George Strohmeier had recently received his fifty year pin as a member of *Golden Gate* Parlor No. 129 N.S.G.W. Past Grand President Claire Lindsey presented gifts and life membership certificates to the charter members.

Greetings were extended by Grand President of the N.S.G.W., Larry Lafleur; Bernadette Sullivan, President of *Golden Gate* Parlor and William Ramm of *Golden Gate* Parlor No. 129, N.S.G.W., who had much to do with the organizing of *Golden Gate* Parlor Native Daughters.

At the speakers table the distinguished guests were Grand President Irma Caton, Grand President Larry Lafleur and Mrs. Lafleur, Junior Past Grand President Audrey D. Brown, Grand Vice President Eileen Dismuke, Grand Secretary Sallie R. Thaler and Grand Trustees Alice D. Shea, Edna C. Williams and Wealthy Falk, Grand Trustee Josephine Sullivan and Edward Sullivan, Grand Trustee Dorothy Helm and O. R. Helm, S.D.D.G.P. Frances Simas and John Simas, D.G.P. Florence Conklin of *Presidio* Parlor and President of *Golden Gate* Parlor, Bernadette Sullivan.

Past Grand Presidents present were Orinda Giannini, Anne Thuesen, Jewel C. McSweeney, Evelyn I. Carlson, Hazel B. Hansen and Margaret Farnsworth.

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CENTENNIAL . . .

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On June 8, *Wilmington Parlor* plans to mark the historical St. John's Episcopal church. This year, the church which was the home church of the Banning family, celebrates its "Diamond Jubilee."

The Parlor will also assist in Fiesta Week, the parade and grand ball; the day long Old Timers picnic and the various other civic events.

In September, *Wilmington Native Sons and Daughters* plan to place a marker in Town Square honoring the pioneers of their city.

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Cows In The House

Years ago in the vicinity of the Pacific Electric depot, Avalon and E Streets in Wilmington, there lived an Italian fisherman with a large family. He refused to be coaxed or bulldozed by his neighbors into a clean-up campaign to dispose of his cows and hogs. His house covered the entire front of his lot. Finally his tidy neighbors built spite fences so close to his house that he could no longer drive his cows over the neighbors' land. Not in the least dismayed, each evening the determined Italian drove the cattle through his front door and out over the back steps to their stable, and each morning he would drive them through the house, in order to take them to pasture.

CALIFORNIANA PRESENTS FLAG

The members of *Californiana Parlor* No. 247, N.D.G.W., were proud to be present when their president, Anna Crawford presented the California Bear Flag to the Francia Boys' Club.

This civic affair was held at the South Ebell Club, and was attended by more than three hundred leading businessmen and clubwomen of the southwestern part of Los Angeles.

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SAN LUISITA EVENTS

Highlighting the Parlor activities of *San Luisita Parlor* was the presentation on February 4 of the Past President's pin to Mrs. Douglas Parsons by her mother, Mrs. Tomasini, also a Past President. This is the only mother-daughter combination of past presidents in *San Luisita Parlor*.

February 18 marked the Founder's Day meeting. Mrs. Grant Hansen and Bernard Epperly were chairmen for the annual formal affair.

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• PICTURE ON COVER

The picture on the cover is a photograph of the Phineas Banning home in Wilmington, now part of the Los Angeles Park system. It was furnished through the courtesy of the historical collection of the Security First National Bank of Los Angeles, through its director, Frank B. Putnam.



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Mary Griffith and Esterlee May at Wilmington Centennial Exhibition Hall with small cannon once used by Hancock Banning in starting yacht races.

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WILMINGTON . . .

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lumber belonging to him which was stacked on the beach, was floated away by the high tide. Then and there he made his decision to build immediately on his land at the slough.

He erected a wharf and warehouses at his new location and with a fine eye for publicity had, what would be called today, his "grand opening" on September 25, 1858. (The centennial of this event will be fittingly celebrated at Wilmington this year.)

The Los Angeles *Star* gave a full report of the gala event: "On Saturday last, P. Banning, Esq., commenced operations at San Pedro New Town, by landing for the first time at that place, freight and passengers. A number of ladies and gentlemen from the city 'assisted' on the occasion. The changing of loading from San Pedro to the New Town will be a great advantage to those engaged in transporting freight from the beach, as by this line the distance is shortened six miles, avoiding the hills on the present road. The land on which it is proposed to build the New Town is a fine flat, with water and wood in abundance, and all the facilities for irrigation. An arm of the sea reaches inland, with a channel deep enough to float any barge which may be used in the business, and the lighters can be brought up to the bank and their cargoes discharged at the wharf. By enclosing a portion of the landing the freight can be at once warehoused; thence transported to Los Angeles by a route six miles shorter than the present. To reach this landing, however, the distance from the anchorage ground is increased, but to obviate this Mr. Banning, with his usual promptness and enterprise, determined to place a steam tug on the station, by which passengers and freight will be transported from the steamer and shipping to the New Town wharf with safety and dispatch."

The *Star* continued, "The ceremony of inauguration consisted of towing a line of barges, containing passengers and freight, to the landing place. In ascending the channel, all hands, the ladies included, assisted in hauling the hawser; and

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when the passengers were landed and the first bale of goods, the company united in wishing prosperity to Captain Banning and the New Town, pledging the same in bumpers of 'sparkling California.' Afterwards, a sumptuous entertainment was provided for the guests."

The new city, which was variously known as New Town and New San Pedro was later given the name of Wilmington in honor of Banning's natal city in Delaware. (To many old timers it is fondly remembered as *Goose Town* on account of the great flocks of game birds that once dwelt there.)

There were those who derisively called the new port "Banning's Hog Waller." That Banning saw more than what met the eye of the ordinary man is well illustrated by the following anecdote told by W. W. Robinson. A man, visiting Wilmington, called out, "Hey, Banning! When is your tug coming up the slough?" To which he received the answer, "You mean, General, when do you expect your steamer up the estuary?"

In the following year another storm broke upon San Pedro Bay. Banning's new yacht, the *Comet*, which replaced the *Medora*, together with his other barges and lighters, rested safely at anchor in the inner harbor.

J. Ross Browne, who visited the city in 1864, wrote, "Banning — the active, energetic, irrepressible Phineas Banning, has built a town on the plain at the head of the slough. He calls it Wilmington in honor of his birthplace." With a delicious sense of humor, Browne described Banning's steam driven craft which carried freight and passengers to and from ships anchored in the Bay as possessing a boiler "considered the model of safety . . . constructed after the pattern of a tea kettle so that when the pressure is unusually great, the cover will rise and let off super-abundant steam and thus allow the crowd a chance to swim ashore."

Banning went to Washington in an attempt to obtain an appropriation to improve Wilmington Harbor. He was successful for on March 2, 1871, Congress granted \$200,000 for the purpose. This was the first government money ever used to improve San Pedro Bay. A breakwater was built which extended fromattlesnake Island to Dead Man's Island, a distance of 6,500 feet. By 1872 Congress had appropriated \$425,000 for improving the harbor.

Today the vision of Phineas Banning has been fully justified. Recently a United States Congressman, visiting Wilmington, declared that "Los Angeles Harbor is destined to become the top port of the nation."

GRAND PRESIDENT LAFLEUR AT SANTA ANA

Larry J. Lafleur, Grand President N.S.G.W. and his corps of officers initiated a class of candidates for *Santa Ana* Parlor No. 74, N.S.G.W., February 3 at Friedemann Hall, Orange.

Preceding the meeting a delicious venison dinner was enjoyed. Hunters Ray Roberts, Fred Rosenbaum and Allan, Walt and Dorothy Gisler furnished the meat for the occasion. Various dignitaries of the order from the Southland were in attendance.

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INTER-PARLOR COMMITTEE

Southern Counties Inter-Parlor Committee Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West has completed a busy and profitable year. Heading the committee for the first half of the year was Jack Curran, *University* Parlor, Marguerite Tann, of *Topanga* Parlor, was elected president in July.

Among the projects this year were the presentation of flags to Sheriff Gene Biscailuz, a Grand Ball honoring the Grand Presidents of both Grand Parlors, a Veterans Christmas Party for some 1500 veterans and the decorating of two floats for the Tournament of Roses Parade.

The spirit of cooperation has been splendid. The presidents of the committee thank all who supported the fund raising affairs and who helped decorate the floats.

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Ours is a government of checks and balances; Congress writes the checks and we pay the balances.—*Providence Journal*

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DRUM BARRACKS . . .

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Los Angeles, was arrested for treason and taken to Camp Drum. From there he was sent to Alcatraz. "Nigger Pete" Biggs, a colored Los Angeles barber, was also brought to Drum Barracks. Although he once had been a slave, Pete was a devoted Southern partisan. His remarks were generally ignored until one day in August, 1864, several army officers from Wilmington came in for a shave. Pete entered into his favorite subject, which resulted on this day with his arrest. He was taken to John Goller's blacksmith shop where a ball and chain were fastened to one of his legs. Thus encumbered he was forced to walk to Drum Bar-



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racks. Near Wilmington, General Banning came by, driving one of his stages. As he passed, the exuberant Pete waved his hat in the air and gave three cheers for Jeff Davis!

In November, 1863, Don Juan Warner, as Deputy Provost General, came to Los Angeles to register citizens for military duty. According to Harris Newmark, "had it not been for the Union soldiers encamped at Drum Barracks this first step towards compulsory enrollment would undoubtedly have resulted in riotous disturbances."

Colonel James F. Curtis, commandant at Drum Barracks, received this telegram from Governor Low on April 10, 1865: "Lee, with his whole army has surrendered to Grant." A few days later came the sad news of the death of Lincoln. On April 19, the day of the President's funeral, there was the sound of solemn salutes from Drum Barracks.

As the war drew to a close, military activities at the post lessened. Early in 1866 many soldiers were mustered out of service at Drum Barracks. During the next three years the hospital facilities were used for transient troops. In 1871, Drum Barracks, as a military establishment, was abandoned and two years later the Government auctioned off all the buildings for less than \$10,000, and pursuant to Congressional authorization, deeded the land back to Banning and Wilson. These men purchased some of the structures and Wilson gave one of

the buildings to the Methodist Church South which established an institution of learning there which it named Wilson College.

Richard Coulter Drum, after whom the post was named, was born at Greensburg, Pennsylvania, on May 25, 1825. After receiving an education at Jefferson College, on December 8, 1846, he entered the United States Army as a private in the First Pennsylvania Volunteers. He served throughout the Mexican War and was promoted second lieutenant of the Ninth United States Infantry on February 18, 1847. For gallantry at Chapultepec and at the capture of Mexico City he was breveted first lieutenant and in the following year was transferred to the Fourth United States Artillery.

At the close of the war he stayed in the army. After serving in the Sioux expedition and the Kansas trouble he became assistant adjutant-general at headquarters of the Division of the West. He then served as adjutant at the artillery school at Fortress Monroe until 1860. At the outbreak of the Civil War he was appointed assistant adjutant-general of the United States Army and assigned to the Pacific Division under Generals Sumner and Wright where he advanced to the rank of Brevet Brigadier-General for faithful and meritorious services.

In 1866 he was transferred to the Division of the Atlantic under General George Meade. After service in the South and Middle West he was appointed senior assistant adjutant-general on duty in the War Department at Washington and in 1880 served as acting chief of the weather bureau. On June 15, 1880, he was appointed adjutant-general of the United States Army with rank of brigadier-general and served as such until his retirement in 1889.



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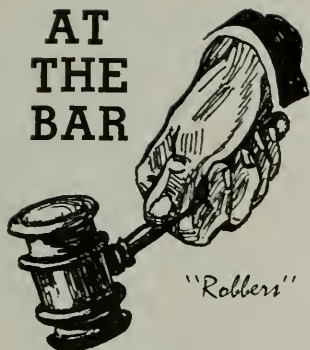
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INGLEWOOD GOLDEN JUBILEE

AT THE BAR



Late one evening, in the early Thirties, three men entered a small restaurant in Westminster. Seating themselves at the counter, each ordered a hamburger sandwich.

As the cafe owner opened his refrigerator one of the men whipped out a gun and said quietly, "Stick 'em up; this is a holdup!" Two of the robbers leaped over the counter, grabbed the proprietor, swiftly bound his hands and feet, taped his mouth and pushed him down into a sitting position in a corner. The other opened the cash register and emptied it of its contents. In a few moments the men dashed to a waiting car.

Shortly afterwards they were arrested and taken to the county jail. One of the robbers, a youth of eighteen, was separated from his companions and placed in the "juvenile tank." A few days later the case was set for hearing.

Shortly before the trial I received a call in my office in the District Attorney's department. One of the jailors informed me that a trusty wanted to see me. Said it was pretty important.

I walked over to the jail and entered the booking room where I saw the trusty, a stocky, little fellow, who eyed me anxiously. I remembered him well. A couple of months before I had dealt with his problem: passing worthless checks. At the time I had determined that liquor was the chief cause of his trouble and instead of charging him with a penitentiary offense, I permitted him to plead guilty to petty theft for which he was sentenced to six months in the county jail.

I motioned him into the attorneys'

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APRIL IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

April 21, 1782 the presidio of Santa Barbara was founded by Governor Felipe de Neve. The mission was not established until 1786.

April 11, 1822 California ceased to be a province of Spain and became a part of the Mexican Empire.

April 3, 1848, the first public school in California after the American occupation was opened on Portsmouth Square in San Francisco. From this has grown the public school system of California.

April 4, 1850 the city of Los Angeles was incorporated.

April 15, 1850 the city of San Francisco was incorporated.

April 3, 1854 a branch of the United States Mint was opened in San Francisco, designed mainly to coin gold.

April 14, 1860 the first rider of the famous Pony Express reached San Francisco from St. Joseph, Missouri.

The Pony Express organized by W. H. Russell was designed to speed valuable mails between the Mississippi River and California. The average time in transit was ten and one-half days.

April 20, 1863, gold was found on Santa Catalina Island. A miniature gold rush resulted.

April 8, 1869 the city of Inglewood was incorporated.

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La Casa de la Centinela

LA CASA de la Centinela, the House of the Sentinel, is said to have been so named from sentinels in the early Indian or Spanish days in the Centinela Valley who watched for marauding pirates from the bay, now Playa del Rey, or guarded the gushing spring that bubbled up in what is now Centinela Park.

The house still stands as it was built in the early part of the 19th century on a knoll just west of Freeman Avenue and north of Florence Avenue in present day Inglewood. It stands in a section of modern homes and is the pride of the residents of the area.

If a few civic and historically minded citizens had not banded together, the adobe would not have been preserved. This group, the Centinela Adobe Association, has worked with organizations and with the City of Inglewood, to preserve and restore the adobe, which is open to visitors on Wednesday and Sunday afternoons and other times by special arrangement.

Machado built the adobe after receiving his land grant from Governor Micheltorena. The walls of the house are two and three-fourths feet thick, with a tar roof on reed poles, the tar being brought from the La Brea tar pits.

When Machado tired of ranching, he traded the adobe and the spring for a house near the Plaza in Los Angeles. The adobe changed hands two or three times and then became the property of Daniel Freeman who is credited with being the founder of Inglewood. He had brought his family to California in search of a climate that would be beneficial to his wife's health. He leased the ranch and later bought the property. His wife died in 1873 but he continued to live in the adobe with his three children. It is believed that he added

the wood additions to the adobe during these years. He later moved to a large house, known as the Freeman Mansion, in the town of Inglewood. He gave the adobe to his daughter Grace when she married Charles Howland. However, she lived there but a short time and then moved to the big mansion.

One of the later occupants of the adobe brought it to the attention of the United States department of Interior. Surveyors were sent to study the building and as a result, the Centinela Adobe is recorded in the Library of Congress as an historic American building.

John McGroarty, former poet laureate of California, was impressed with the adobe and at one time offered to bring his famed Mission Play there for performances. The plan did not go through however.

La Tijera Parlor No. 282, N.D.C.W., Inglewood, has been active in its interest in the adobe. It gave \$500 toward the initial purchase and has contributed at least \$100 annually toward its maintenance. Three members of La Tijera Parlor are on the Board of Directors of the Centinela Adobe Association and Margaret Harris, who has just received her 25 year pin as a member of the Order, is resident hostess at the adobe, assisted by her husband Walter Harris, a Native Son.

The rooms have been furnished through donations, authentic to the times in so far as possible. Florence Dodson Shoneman, an ardent Native Daughter and member of the Sepulveda family, gave the bedroom furniture which belonged to her mother, Rudecinda Sepulveda. A large collection of Indian artifacts, belonging to La Tijera Parlor are on display at the Adobe. Both Californiana Parlor No. 247 of Los Angeles and La Tijera Parlor No. 282 of Inglewood, have marked this historic spot.



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Veranda of La Casa de la Centinela



Interior of the Adobe



Dining area of famed Adobe

Inglewood Golden Jubilee

by Mariene Porter



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Inglewood in 1890, from a drawing by W. C. Fittler.

BEFORE THE COMING of the white man the townsite of Inglewood was the center of an Indian Civilization in the Centinela Valley where the waters of Centinela Springs bubbled merrily to the surface, formed a small creek, and rushed onward to the sea.

Inglewood is situated on what was regarded, in early days, as one of California's choicest ranchos for it possessed the important water supply of the springs whose location was where Centinela Park now stands. The original Mexican grant was called *Aguaje de la Centinela*, meaning "spring of the sentinel."

The first written title to the 2,200 acre rancho was granted to Ygnacio Machado by the Mexican Governor Manuel Micheltoarena on September 14, 1844. Records show that Machado deeded the property to Bruno Abila on April 17, 1845, for the modest consideration of two barrels of red wine and a small adobe house in the Pueblo of Los Angeles.

Like many of his fellow native Californians, after the American con-

quest, Abila found himself in need of cash, and like his friends he borrowed sums from Americans at the atrocious interest rate of six per cent *per month*. To secure repayment of his loans he placed three mortgages on Rancho *Aguaje de la Centinela*. One of his creditors, Hiliard P. Dorsey, secured a foreclosure judgement against him for \$3,300 and bought in the ranch at sheriff's sale.

Following Dorsey's death, his widow sold the property to Francis J. Carpenter who in turn deeded the land to Joseph Lancaster Brent, a Los Angeles attorney who owned the adjoining Rancho *Sausal Redondo*. Brent needed the rancho for its water supply.

Just before the outbreak of the Civil War *Aguaje de la Centinela* and *Sausal Redondo* were acquired by Sir Robert and Lady Matilda Burnett of Kinnaird, Scotland, who had fallen in love with the natural charm of the area while visiting California. Shortly afterward Brent left the State to join his fortune with

the South. He was the last confederate general to surrender.

The Burnetts made their home at Hacienda *Aguaje de la Centinela* which was situated on Centinela Creek about two miles west of the Springs. On April 19, 1873, Sir Robert Burnett deeded his holdings to the man who is considered to be the founder of Inglewood, Daniel Freeman. The two ranchos which he purchased constituted most of what is now considered Centinela Valley. They extended from Playa del Rey to Redondo Beach and inland to existing Los Angeles city limits and comprised about 25,000 acres.

Daniel Freeman was a cultured Canadian who came to California seeking a climate that would aid his wife's health. Disaster struck following his purchase when a severe drouth resulted in heavy losses of cattle. It is said that about 22,000 head of cattle perished. Freeman was convinced that dry farming would be a more profitable venture so he planted barley and later, wheat. His was the first grain grown on a large scale in Los Angeles County. By 1880 he was shipping grain not only to different parts of the United States, but also to London.

The land boom came in 1886. The Santa Fe and Southern Pacific waged a great fare fight and \$1 would take you from Chicago to Los Angeles. In 1887 the Centinela Inglewood Land Company was organized. It laid out the town of Inglewood and gravelled the roads from Los Angeles to Inglewood. It was a time when deer and wild hogs roamed the district and there was a wilderness of willows at Imperial and Crenshaw Boulevard, now a busy shopping area.

At the height of the boom Daniel Freeman started selling Inglewood lots for \$300 apiece. The Santa Fe Railroad built a depot in the town in 1887, thus aiding in the area's development. The location of this early station has been marked by *La Tijera* Parlor No. 282, Native Daughters of the Golden West.

The land company spent about \$20,000 in its work to popularize Inglewood for settlers. It erected a house for the national hero, General John C. Fremont, the "Pathfinder," and offered it to him as a gift. Unfortunately, by reason of various difficulties neither the General nor Mrs. Fremont ever lived in the two story structure and it was eventually purchased by a pioneer real estate man, E. W. Spaulding, who lived in it for many years.

Inglewood's first church service was held in Mrs. Beldon's boarding house on April 22, 1888, with the Rev. H. P. Chase, a Congregational minister, in charge. The first newspaper, the *Star*, started publishing on April 21, 1888.

F. B. Mitchell was appointed deputy county clerk in 1888 and A. M. Rollins was sworn in as a deputy sheriff after the town's ornamental cannon was blown to bits by a prankster.

The town's first elementary school opened on May 21, 1888, in a structure originally designed for a livery stable. Seventeen boys and sixteen girls were in attendance with Mrs. Minnie Walker as teacher. This building has also been marked by *La Tijera* Parlor and is the present administration building of the local school system.

By the 1900's the waters of Centinela Springs had subsided below the surface and parts of its bed became swamps during heavy rains. Orange groves lined the streets and

hundreds of cars of oranges were shipped from this section. Thanksgiving of 1903 was an important one for the people of Inglewood for on this day the first street cars arrived connecting the city with Los Angeles. The first Inglewood Water Company was founded in 1903 and in 1905 the high school district came into being. The chamber of commerce was organized in the following year expressly to prevent encroachment on one of the city's most valuable assets, the Grevillea Parkway.

The Inglewood Poultry Colony was established in 1906 as a division of the local water company. It founded the famed White Wyandotte Farm in North Inglewood near where later the nationally known George C. England Single Comb White Leghorn establishment broke many national egg-laying records.

Inglewood received its charter for incorporation on April 8, 1908, and this date has been set as the official birthday of the city. William Hall Kelso was the first mayor. The local library opened in 1912. Four years later, in December, 1916, a letter was received from the Carnegie Corporation of New York offering to give \$10,000 to establish a Carnegie library in the city. The offer was accepted and the new structure was dedicated on September 29, 1917. Inglewood's first entry in Pasadena's Tournament of Roses was in 1916, the design being one submitted by Mrs. W. H. Bowden.

Daniel Freeman, Inglewood's founder, passed away on October 4, 1918. He was survived by his daughter, Grace, who has since passed away, but who lived in Inglewood for many years and carried on the family traditions.

In 1934 a fountain was placed on the site of the original Centinela Springs in the Park. Centinela Days, a gala celebration, recalling the early pioneer days with gay costuming, street parades and the staging of the "Pageant of Centinela Springs" was first observed in 1931.

Inglewood has progressed to be one of the leading cities in the South Bay area with a population of 60,000 and with industry and commerce continually growing to keep pace with the population. Nearby aircraft factories and the International Airport of Los Angeles adjoining on the west indicate that Inglewood's future



La Brea Avenue, formerly Commercial Street, Inglewood, about 1910.



La Brea Avenue, Inglewood, 1930.

is bright. In celebrating her 50th Anniversary this year as an incorporated city, her citizens honor her past and look confidently to the future.

Inglewood's Golden Anniversary will officially open on April 8 with Commemoration Week slated as the first event of the celebration which will run until November 22. Activities on April 8 will center at the City Council Chambers where the first minutes and the City Charter will be read. *La Tijera* Parlor No. 282, N.D.C.W. will present to the City a beautiful satin city flag which has been designed and made by its Deputy Grand President, Inez Huffman of *Toluca* Parlor, a well known artist in her own right. Mayor George England will make the Anniversary Proclamation. The Girl Scouts will conduct tours of the city.

A fashion show depicting Fashions of Yesteryear and Today will be sponsored by the Inglewood Business and Professional Women's Club on April 10. Two days later the Legion Tribute Dinner will be held which will honor the outstanding citizen of the Half Century. On

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Sallie Rutherford Thaler



Sallie Rutherford Thaler

FRIENDS throughout California were greatly shocked to learn of the sudden death of Mrs. Sallie Rutherford Thaler, Grand Secretary of the Native Daughters of the Golden West. She passed away at Providence Hospital in Oakland on March 8 following a fall down a steep flight of slippery steps outside her home.

Mrs. Thaler had served as Grand Secretary of the Native Daughters since 1927 and counted her friends in thousands throughout the State. Born on May 19, 1888, in Oakland, she became a member of Aloha Parlor No. 106, N.D.G.W., in 1912 and served at its president and recording secretary. In 1944 she was elected her Parlor's first life member. Prior to her election as Grand Secretary she served as Grand Trustee.

Following the recitation of the Rosary on the evening of March 10 in the flower banked Mosswood Chapel of the Albert Engel Company in Oakland, funeral services were conducted under the auspices of the Native Daughters. In charge of the ceremonies of the Order was Grand Vice President Eileen Dismuke who served as Grand President in the absence of Grand President Irma M. Caton who was unable to attend by reason of being an official business in Ukiah. Joining Mrs. Dismuke in a circle about the casket and assisting her in the services were Junior Past Grand President Audrey D. Brown, Grand Marshal Maxiene Porter, Grand Trustee Alice D. Shea as First Vice President, Grand Trustee Edna C. Williams as Second Vice President,

Grand Trustee Josephine T. Sullivan as Third Vice President, Grand Trustees Dorothy J. Helm, Wealthy M. Falk, Mary M. Ehlers, and Grand Outside Sentinel Fern Adams.

Among those attending the services were Past Grand Presidents Ethel Begley, Edna B. Briggs, Loretta M. Cameron, Evelyn I. Carlson, Ethel C. Enos, Estelle M. Evans, Margaret Farnsworth, Doris M. Gerrish, Orinda G. Ginannini, Norma Hodson, Clarice E. Knowland, Pearl Lamb, Claire Lindsey, Jewel McSweeney, Emily E. Ryan, Grace S. Stoermer, Esther R. Sullivan, Anne C. Thuesen and Henrietta Toothaker.

Requiem Mass was said on Tuesday morning, March 11, at Our Lady of Lourdes Church of which Mrs. Thaler was a member.

During the funeral ceremonies conducted by the Native Daughters, Past Grand President Jewel McSweeney delivered the following beautiful tribute:

"Some of His disciples said one to another, What does this mean . . . that He is saying to us . . . after a little while you will see Me no longer and after a little while you have sight of Me. What is this little while He speaks of?" (St. John's Gospel)

"If I could give a definition as to what life is, I would be doing what no one has yet been able to do. I can only say life is work, life is pain . . . it is joy, disappointment, tragedy and triumph.

"Were I to describe what life was to our departed loved one, Sallie Rutherford Thaler, I would say it was dedicated service to her home, her family, her God and her friends — the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

"In humility I ask our Heavenly Father to sustain me now as the value of Sallie Thaler's life passes before me.

"On the nineteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and eighty eight, in the city of Oakland, to the union of John and Sarah Rutherford, Sallie Rutherford was born. She lived her entire life in her native city,

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Plaque Dedicated at Sacramento

THE MEMORY OF Dr. H. W. Harkness, a pioneer doctor, who came to California during the height of the "Gold Rush" period, was honored when a bronze plaque was dedicated for the H. W. Harkness Elementary School in Sacramento, by the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West, districts No. 15 and 18, comprising Sacramento and part of Solano Counties.

Grand Inside Sentinel, Frank S. Christy, of *Sunset* Parlor No. 26 N.S.G.W., and Mrs. Rae Rominger, district chairman of civic participation, *La Bandera* Parlor No. 110 N.D.G.W., were co-chairmen.

Dr. Harkness had a warm interest in educational matters and was especially active in establishing the public school system in Sacramento. Born May 25, 1821, in Polham, Massachusetts, where at the age of 18 he entered Williston University to study medicine. In 1849, young Harkness came to California and settled at Bidwell Bar. Less than a year later, in 1850 he traveled to Sacramento to practise medicine and for the next twenty years his name was a household word. The good doctor

by Frank S. Christy

married in 1854, but within a year his wife passed away.

Previous to 1854, the public schools in Sacramento were merged with those of the County, and were under the superintendence of the County Assessor, by virtue of his office.

The State school law of 1851, provided for a supervising school committee in each city, town, and incorporated village. The attempt made in Sacramento to establish a common school under that law, failed, and in 1852, the Legislature repealed the act and passed a new one, which gave to cities and incorporated towns the control of the common schools within their limits, with the provision that if the municipal authorities did not exercise that power the County Assessor should have charge of them and be ex-officio County Superintendent.

The act was again amended, April 26, 1853, and that year the County Assessor, H. J. Bidleman, appointed under the amended law a Board of School Commissioners for Sacramento, consisting of Dr. Harkness, G. J. Phelan, and George Wiggins.

October 2, 1854 an ordinance was passed by the City Council which had been drafted by N. A. H. Ball, providing for the election of a City Superintendent of Schools and a Board of Education. The Board was to assume control of the city schools. The City Council elected Dr. Harkness Superintendent and three others as members of the Board.

During the first meeting the Board estimated the school income and expenses for the ensuing year would be \$22,000. Dr. Harkness made his first report February 13, 1855 and stated that there were six schools in successful operation with accommodations for 414 pupils, but 578 had made application to enter during the term. The average attendance was 463 pupils.

In 1869, Harkness retired and took up the study of Science Fungi. He was president of the Academy of Science nine consecutive terms, and traveled extensively.

Dr. Harkness was a close friend of the railroad tycoons, Crocker and Stanford, and presented the spike from California in the laying of the "Last Spike" ceremony in Promontory, Utah, during the completion of the first transcontinental railroad, the Central and Union Pacific.

Dr. Harkness, "the dedicated man," of Sacramento, passed away July 10, 1901, at the age of 80, in the City of San Francisco.

On the reception committee for the dedication of the Harkness school were Past Grand President, Philip C. Wilkins, *Sacramento* Parlor No. 3 and Edwin Huston, *Sunset* Parlor No. 26, N.S.G.W.; representing the Native Daughters were Loretta Leimbach, *Califa* Parlor No. 22 and Genevieve Didion, *La Bandera* Parlor No. 110.

Assisting the co-chairman on various committees were Clara Burns, *Sutter* No. 111; Gertrude Soligan, *Rio Rito* No. 253; Nancy Childs and Phenette Miller, *Coloma* No. 212; Lillian Simpson, *La Bandera* No. 110; Hilma Colton and Frances Fitzgerald, *Liberty* No. 213 Lillian Gunderson, *San Juan* Parlor No. 315 and Edwin L. Ginsbach, President of

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Plaque placed at school. From left (front row): Rae Rominger and S.D.D.G.P. Gus Shaw; (back row): Grand Trustee Mary Ehlers, S.D.D.G.P. Dorothy Buscher, and Grand Inside Sentinel Frank S. Christy.

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Greetings from Irma M. Caton

May the beautiful spirit of Easter, that fills every heart with its song, bring you happiness, deep and abiding, and bring peace to your heart all year long.



IRMA M. CATON

When we think of the Easter season, we are reminded of the beautiful fruit blossoms, yellow daffodils, the golden California pop-

pies, lupine and the other early flowers, many of which I have seen during my travels in February. You will understand when I tell you that my visits have taken me from Sausalito, Vallejo, San Jose, Berkeley, Redwood City, Monterey, Yountville, San Andreas, Soledad, Long Beach, Tustin and Los Angeles.

Easter Sunday — the Resurrection Day — how wonderful it would be if all the peoples of the world believed as we do that by tolerance and understanding, we could live together in peace that comes to us at Eastertide.



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DIRECTORY CHANGES

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Los Angeles No. 124 — Change Sec. address to 2550 Lake View St. Los Angeles 39.

San Gabriel Valley No. 281 — Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday, Alhambra Masonic Temple; Mrs. Phyllis Soucie, Rec. Sec., No. Lawrence Ave., South San Gabriel.

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Las Punitas Unit No. 28, Oroville — Change Advisor to: Mrs. Maxine Gow, 1943 Campbell, Oroville.

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The picture on the cover is of *La Casa de la Centinela*, pioneer adobe in Inglewood.

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MISSION PARLOR

Officers and members of *Mission Parlor* No. 227, N.D.C.W., are busy planning for their forthcoming official visit on April 9. "Easter" is the theme being carried out.

Mae Coleman, member of the Parlor, was recently installed as organist for the San Francisco Extension of the Order Committee. Past President Anna Williams is now Director of Past Presidents Association No. 1, San Francisco.

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- 1 *San Miguel* No. 94, *San Luisita* No. 108 and *El Pinal* No. 163.....°San Luis Obispo
- 8 *Laura Loma* No. 182 and *Pleasanton* No. 237.....°Pleasanton
- 9 *Dolores* No. 169, *Castro* No. 178 and *Mission* No. 227.....°San Francisco
- 10 *Rio Rito* No. 253.....°Sacramento
- 11 *Aloha* No. 106 and *Piedmont* No. 87.....°Oakland
- 12 *San Mateo County Deputy Grand Presidents Luncheon*
- 13 *Sonoma* and *Marin Counties*, N.S.C.W. and N.D.C.W. "Meet Your Neighbor" Breakfast
- 15 *Clear Lake* No. 135 and *La Junta* No. 203.....°St. Helena
- 16 *Betsy Ross* No. 238 and *Vallecito* No. 308.....°Hayward
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- 28 *El Tejon* No. 239 and *Miocene* No. 228.....°Bakersfield
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- 30 *Victory* No. 216.....°Courtland

MAY

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- 6 *Vista del Mar* No. 155, and *Año Nuevo* No. 180.....°Half Moon Bay
- 8 *Ursula* No. 1, *Chispa* No. 40, *Amapola* No. 80 and *Forrest* No. 86.....°Sutter Creek
- 9 *Angelita* No. 32 — 70th Anniversary.....°Livermore
- 10 *Sacramento County Luncheon*
- 12 *Golden Gate* No. 158 and *Twin Peaks* No. 185.....°San Francisco
- 14 *Morada* No. 199.....°Modesto
- 15 *Aleli* No. 102.....°Salinas
- 24 *Alameda County Luncheon*
- 24 *Argonaut* No. 166.....°Oakland
- 25 *Alameda County Memorial Services*
- 27 *Oro Fino* No. 9 and *Portola* No. 172.....°San Francisco
- 28 *Placerita* No. 277, *Toluca* No. 279, *Topanga* No. 269, *San Fernando Mission* No. 280 and *Joshua Tree* No. 288.....°Van Nuys

Note: Official Visits are marked with an asterisk (°)

VALLEJO PARLOR NO. 195

Past Presidents of Vallejo Parlor No. 195, were honored by the Parlor with Mrs. Elvena Woodard, social chairman, in charge. President Leota Morrison presented each honoree with a gift handkerchief. Grand Trustee Dorothy Helm of Wawona Parlor No. 271, Fresno, was a special guest.

Various chairmen of the Parlor have been very busy. Americanization chairman, Mrs. Bernice D. Houston presented a display of photostatic copies on parchment of Lincoln's Gettysburg address, the Preamble to the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Mrs. Marcella Turner was chairman of the "Jiggs Dinner," March 5 at the Vallejo Women's Club. This was a joint affair with Vallejo Parlor No. 77 N.S.G.W.

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DEPUTY GRAND PRESIDENTS

The San Francisco County Deputy Grand Presidents met with S.D.D.G.P. Frances Simas in the home of D.G.P. Millye Quarneri. Reports were made of work performed and in progress. The Deputies have been active in attending the various Official Visits and Childrens Foundation Luncheons.

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EVENTS AT SANTA BARBARA

Reina del Mar Parlor No. 126 and Tierra de Oro Parlor No. 304, N.D. G.W. participated in a Children's Foundation luncheon held in conjunction with the official visit of the Grand President, Irma M. Caton. The delightful affair was held at the El Encanto Hotel.

Past Grand President Jewel McSweeney, State Chairman of Children's Foundation was the luncheon speaker.

A dinner honoring the Grand President was held at the Mar Monte Hotel with a meeting following at the Native Sons' Beach Club.

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NATIVE SONS HONOR MEMBERS

University Parlor No. 272 N.S.G. W., Los Angeles, on March 12 honored Bernard Hiss, Charter President of the Parlor and Walter Wells, Al Carillo, Joseph Hiss, Dr. Herbert Root, Adrian Stanton and Grand Outside Sentinel George Shipley with 25 year pins.



New Junior Unit. From left: Barbara Gonzales, Jet Willman, Kathy Paulson, Sandra Bancroft, and Lynn Wilton.

ESTRELLA DEL MAR

by Mrs. Howard H. Gates

A NEW Junior Native Daughter Unit sponsored by *Tierra del Rey* Parlor No. 300 N.D.G.W., Hermosa Beach, chose *Estrella del Mar* as its name. The new group which is Unit No. 35 Jr. N.D.G.W. was instituted at the Neptunian Club, Manhattan Beach, by Grand President Irma M. Caton of *Argonaut* Parlor No. 166, Oakland, and Grand Marshal Maxiene Porter, State Chairman of the Junior Native Daughters and a member of *La Tijera* Parlor No. 282, Inglewood. It is interesting to note that *Tierra del Rey*, the Mother Parlor of the new unit, was organized some years ago by Mrs. Porter.

The initiation of the 42 girls was conducted by Betsy Mears, Leona Hannan and Carol Baldwin, officers of *Asistencia* Unit No. 20, San Bernardino. Installing the charter members were Cynthia Harris, Martha Keehnell, Marie Otto and Diana Brassey, officers of *Palomar* Unit No. 24, San Diego. Advisor of the group is Mrs. Eunice Rozaire assisted by Mmes. Wolfram, Austin, Tyack, Lewis, Tutt and Purcell.

Installed as president was Lynn Wilton. Other officers included Kathy Paulson, past president; Sandra Bancroft, vice president; Bar-

bara Gonzales, recording secretary; Joan Heintz, Financial Secretary-treasurer; Jet Willman, Marshal; Suzanne Jensen, sentinel; Christine Kerr, organist and Christine Malling, Cheryl Rozaire and Vickie Kaiser, trustees.

Guests at the institution included Grand Vice President Eileen Dis-muke, Grand Trustee Dorothy Helm; Past Grand President Hazel Hansen, S.D.D.G.P. Senaida Sullivan, D.G.P. Edrene Garner and former Grand Trustee Florence Schoneman who started the Junior organization. Special guests also included Grand President N.S.G.W., Larry J. Lafleur, Grand Vice President N.S.G.W. John B. Schmolle and Mrs. Schmolle, and Grand Trustee N.S.G.W. Ed Both and Mrs. Both.

Over 150 were present for the chartering of this new Junior Unit, the first in Los Angeles County. Mrs. Caton, Grand President, gave the Unit an engraved gavel. Many other gifts were presented.

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One of the great mysteries of life is how the boy who wasn't good enough to marry your daughter, can be the father of the smartest grandchild in the world.

—Denver Post

FLAGS PRESENTED

Sequoia Parlor No. 272, with Theresia Kekki chairman of Americanism committee, presented American flags to two Brownie troops in Berkeley. Lola Bredehoft, president of the Parlor, assisted in the ceremonies.

Joan Freeman, president of one Troup accepted the flag for the Washington Grammar School group. The leader of Brownie Troup No. 232 accepted the flag presented at the Berkeley Covenant Church. Refreshments were served on both occasions.

MEMBERSHIP TEA

Rio Hondo Parlor No. 284 N.D. G.W. of Huntington Park held a Membership Tea at the Huntington Park Ebell Clubhouse.

Gordon Norris, Poet Laureate of the State of California, spoke on *The Phantom Ship of the Desert* and later read from his book *The Golden Empire*. Mr. Norris, who speaks to various organizations on the romance of California's history has had many honors bestowed upon him. He holds the "Order of the Rose," given to him by the State

of Oregon for his good will ambassadorship.

Grand Marshal Maxiene Porter of *La Tijera* Parlor No. 282, N.D.G.W., spoke to the guests on the objects and aims of the Native Daughters as an Order.

Membership chairman is Emily Len. Serving on her committee are Mary Kratz, Dorothy Campbell, Mary Lee Flippen, Valda Vaughn, Virginia Everhart, Virginia Glendon, Maude Caldwell, Frieda Savage, Minnie Kinser and Joanne Pevehouse.

P A R L O R



N E W S

UPPER LEFT: Benches placed at Pico Mansiou. Seated from left: Hortensia Aguirre, Martin Cole, May Belle Evans and Philomena Wooster, standing. UPPER RIGHT: Rio Hondo Membership Tea. From left: Peggy Wilkey, Gordon Norris, Emily Len, and Maxiene Porter. LOWER LEFT: The two pieces of tile which Fred Fabrey and Mrs. Thomas Hamby, Sr. are holding, have been in the possession of the Fabrey family since about 1898. They were found in a field adjoining Mission Soledad which was already in ruins. These handmade tiles were made from clay hauled from the eastern range in the Pinnacles district. LOWER RIGHT: Brownies Joan Freeman, Ruedena Prosper and Claudia McFarlane receive flag from Theresia Kekki and Lola Bredehoft, of Sequoia Parlor.

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A MUSEUM FOR MISSION SOLEDAD

by Margaret Jacobsen

IT HAS LONG BEEN realized that the establishment of a museum is an important factor in the restoration of a mission. The Mission Soledad Restoration Committee of the Native Daughters of the Golden West realize that many of the people who can help most, not only in material ways but also in their knowledge of how the Mission's treasures and mementos came to be scattered throughout the State, are descendants of families whose names are synonymous with California's early history.

In many cases, the story of the life of the article after it was removed from the decaying Mission site is of more interest than the routine function it performed at the Mission itself. For this information the committee will have to reach into the hearts and homes of persons who wish to share these treasures with a new generation who have never heard all the tales of the Mission's heyday or seen any of the articles necessary to mission life which were made there. The museum will help to paint for those without knowledge or vision to see in the dry adobe walls, a way of life that included beautiful hand-wrought works of art as well as crude, homemade articles used in everyday living.

In accordance with the program of restoration authorized by His Excellency Aloysius J. Willinger, Bishop of the Monterey-Fresno Diocese, and as set forth by the Native Daughters of the Golden West, all historic, natural history objects, or other personal property that evidence indicates were part of the original furnishing, appurtenances or site of Mission Soledad, or that apply to the particular historical period, for the

years to and including 1885, in accordance with approved administrative policy regarding same, will be accepted by the Native Daughters of the Golden West for placement in suitable museum quarters at the Mission Soledad site.

Mrs. Thomas Hambey, Sr., whose family has a long and proud history in the Salinas valley, was the logical choice as chairman of the advance pledge project. She is greatly interested in this project and her home is located in the area where the greatest accumulation of Mission relics are.

While pledges are being lined up, another section of the Mission Soledad Restoration Committee is doubling its efforts to secure funds for a building to house the precious articles and to build living quarters at the site so that the articles will not be locked as tightly in the museum room away from those who are interested, as perhaps they are now locked away in trunks and attics. Anyone having such articles should contact Mrs. Thomas Hambey, Sr., P.O. Box 1418, Soledad, California.

Already back in their places in the Chapel are the original Stations of the Cross. The original bell which had hung these many years in the belfry of the little parish church in Soledad, has been returned to the Mission. Oil paintings of the Spanish era, an enamelled tumbler used as a blessing font, solid silver candle stick holders, a reliquary and chalice, all cast in Mexico, are recent gifts to Misión Nuestra Señora de la Soledad.

BENCHES PRESENTED TO PICO MANSION

Two years ago when May Belle Evans, California History and Landmarks Chairman of *East Los Angeles* Parlor No. 266 N.D.G.W. enjoyed a tour through the Pio Pico Mansion, she became very tired but found no bench in the patio on which to rest. She brought the problem to

her Native Daughter Parlor and they in turn took over the project.

Under the direction of Mrs. William Wooster, Parlor president, *East Los Angeles* Parlor raised money to purchase the lumber, then arranged with Whittier School District to have the benches constructed in the manner of the period of 1860-1890 so that they would correspond with the surroundings of the old mansion.

About 90 friends and Native Sons and Daughters attended the presentation ceremony at the Pio Pico Mansion, 6003 S. Pioneer Blvd., Whittier.

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San Jose Pioneers. Standing from left: Mmes. Clara Briggs, Augusta Singleton, Matilda Moak, Mary Newton, and the honoree, Nellie Fleming, seated.

PARTY FOR PIONEER

A host of friends of Mrs. Nellie Fleming was invited to her home for a party celebrating her 92nd birthday. *San Jose* Parlor No. 81 N.D.G.W. hosted the event in honor of senior affiliate. Among the Fifty-Year members who called to congratulate the honoree were Mesdames Clara Briggs, Augusta Singleton, Matilda Moak, Mary Newton, Gertrude Gray and Emma Rutan. All Fifty-Year members of *San Jose* Parlor are made honorary members. At present there are eleven such members.

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Reception and Tea for Grand Vice President

Grand Vice President Eileen Dismuke was honored by her parlor, *Tierra de Oro* No. 304, N.D.G.W., Santa Barbara, at a reception and tea at the home of Mrs. L. C. Miles, S.D.D.G.P. for Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties and past president of *Tierra de Oro*.

Mrs. Dean Upton, president of *Tierra de Oro*, received the guests with Mrs. Dismuke and Mrs. Miles. At an informal program with Mrs. Rudolf Ziesenhenn, past president of the Parlor, as mistress of ceremonies, Mrs. Upton welcomed the 100 guests including Mrs. Sallie R. Thaler, grand secretary; Mrs. Maxiene Porter, grand marshal, and her husband, Dale Porter; Mrs. Mildred Kearney, grand organist; Miss Grace S. Stoermer and Mrs. Anne C. Thuesen, past grand presidents; Mrs. Florence Grass, state chairman of Pasadena Tournament of Roses Float; Miss Ethelwynne Fraisher, state chairman of California History and Landmarks File; also representatives from many of the Parlors over the State.

Joining the honoree at the reception were her husband, Ben; her daughter Mrs. Wesley Gray and family and her brother-in-laws and their families.

Native Sons of the Golden West were represented by Grand Second Vice President John B. Schmolle and Mrs. Schmolle of Hermosa Beach and Grand Trustee Edward Both and Mrs. Both.

City Councilman and Mrs. J. J. Callahan, County Supervisor and Mrs. Paul Stewart, County Treasurer and Mrs. Paul Grim, and Mayor and Mrs. Bohnett were present. Santa Barbara Legal Secretaries, of which Mrs. Dismuke is a past president, presented the honored guest with a corsage.

Mrs. Thaler brought greetings from Mrs. Dismuke's fellow grand officers. Mrs. Thuesen spoke for the past grand presidents, and Mrs. Kearney, grand organist, played two selections on the piano.

Mrs. Thaler, Miss Stoermer, Mrs. Thuesen, and Mrs. Porter poured.

SAN JUAN PARLOR

San Juan Parlor No. 315, N.D.G.W., under the direction of President Sarah Coughlin, has been very busy. Chairman of Ways and Means, Lorraine Hines, started the ball rolling with a progressive card party in her home. Climaxing the ten affairs which were planned, will be the Second Annual Card Party and Luncheon in the Carmichael Club House, April 26, a benefit for the Childrens Foundation. The parties are proving a success, both socially and financially.

Americanism Chairman Frances Tucker presented an American flag to Boy Scout Troop No. 324 at the Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center. Lillian Gunderson, Civic Participation, was chairman of the program when *San Juan Parlor* presented a Bear Flag to the Sacramento Elementary and Junior Academy in Carmichael. President Sarah Coughlin made the presentation. The guest speaker was Past Grand President Edna B. Briggs, *La Bandera Parlor* No. 110, N.D.G.W. Students of the Academy also participated.

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SALLIE R. THALER . . .

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"No words of mine could describe adequately Sallie Rutherford Thaler's devotion first to her invalid mother . . . then to her husband Charles. Her kindness, her understanding and deep abiding love for her two dear ones was a source of inspiration to all who knew her. Would that I could describe her courage as day after day, night after night, she tendered to their needs and watched their very lives slowly ebb away. Would that I could describe her strength and devotion as year after year she lent herself without murmur to the task of caring for her helpless loved ones. Often she guided their pain ridden bodies in wheelchairs down the very steps that claimed her own life. Yes, day after day, year after year she administered to their every want in the merciful spirit of angelic charity.

"Sallie Rutherford Thaler joined Aloha Parlor No. 106, Native Daughters of the Golden West, in the year nineteen hundred and twelve and thirteen years later was elected a Grand Trustee of our Order. In nineteen hundred and twenty seven she was elected to the office of Grand Secretary . . . a position which she held until her untimely death on the eighth day of March nineteen hundred and fifty eight.

"She devoted forty-six years unselfishly to the Order of the Native Daughters of the Golden West and exerted every effort to stimulate a deeper appreciation of the ideals, privileges and obligations of a California heritage. As our Grand Secretary she was a counselor and expressed the wise love of a friend. She knew when to urge . . . when to check . . . and she would not surrender great ends for smaller things. She was a source of inspiration as she lifted the hearts of thousands of our members throughout the State of California.

"Sallie Thaler was a woman that felt the love of a friend was the dearest thing in all the world. In happiness or sorrow the heart of a friend was a common need. Just a week ago last Sunday the Native Daughters of the Golden West paid her a tribute in life . . . at the breakfast which she promoted in her

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"Sweet Jesus, lay Your wounded Hand upon my head and bless me. Stretch forth that same dear Hand and bless each one at home. And now give me your Crook, I will return it to You tonight and help me to go around in Your fold just for today doing Your work in Your way.

"Do not let the human in me spoil anything You give me to do. Push me back when I would go wrong and make me go forward when I am afraid to do right. Be with me in my dealings with each soul with whom I come in contact and grant that each may know, love and serve You better for having passed me by.

"One more favor. You will not think that I am presumptuous for You understand me. I want to know, love and serve you better than any one else on earth and when life's little day is ended and its task complete give me a place at Your Feet to rest for all Eternity. Amen."

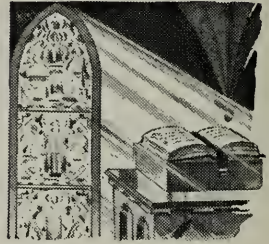
"When the gavel sounds at our annual conclave in Santa Barbara this June, Sallie R. Thaler will not be with us for the first time in thirty three years, but her spirit, supported by love will triumph and live in our hearts forever.

"Tonight, our beloved friend is no longer in the shadow but in the glory of the light; she will be in the City that is hers because she helped to build it; she will see Our Heavenly Father at last as He is, and be wholly with Him. She will have no more mourning or weeping for all former things have been transmuted into happiness and peace and she will walk with Him together with those she helped to bring to Him. She will walk with our Heavenly Father in happiness forever, in the cool of the eternal evening.

"Au revoir Sallie Thaler until we meet again with God."

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In Memoriam



Not lost to those that love them,
Not dead, just gone before;
They still live in our memory,
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Marcella Spaulding Shumate, Fern No. 123, March 3
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LA TIJERA PARLOR

LA TIJERA Parlor, No. 282, N.D.G.W., Inglewood, was instituted on May 29, 1945, with Helen Brandt as charter president. Ethel Enos, Grand Vice-President, acting for Grand President Emily Ryan, conducted the ceremonies. *La Tijera* Parlor is named after Rancho Ciénega o Paso de la Tijera. The ciénegas referred to marsh lands in the area. Two narrow valleys cutting through the Baldwin hills had the appearance of a pair of opened scissors and therefore the Spaniards in the early days called the pass "Paso de la Tijera" (pass of the scissors). This ranch was granted to Vicente Sanchez, alcalde of Los Angeles in 1843.

During the early days of the Parlor the members learned to play and work together and this has been an outstanding feature of *La Tijera* membership. World War II was still on and many hours were spent making laprobes and bedpads for the hospitals. The members also worked for the USO and for various Red Cross projects. Today the Parlor still has an active Veterans Welfare committee and sends monthly checks to a veteran at Sawtelle Hospital.

The Homeless Childrens Committee was one of the Parlor's early major projects and money for adoption of many children was given. Today the interest has been transferred to the Childrens Foundation and the Parlor has been active in raising funds for this work. The membership has really worked hard on the Childrens Foundation calendar project and has led in calendar sales for the last four years. They were active in the promotion of the first Annual Childrens Foundation brunch at the Beverly Hilton, March 23.

The Parlor has marked five places in Inglewood: the first railroad station, the Santa Fe; the site of the first school; the site of the first post office; a plaque to *La Tijera* School, explaining the significance of the name; and one to Centinela Adobe.

La Tijera Parlor holds a Founder-ship in Mission San Antonio de Padua and has been 100% in its support of Mission Soledad restoration. Many

Bear flags have been presented in the community. Members have also been busy with registering local families in the Order's pioneer roster.

Money was given to the Order to aid in the purchase of the Calaveras Grove, and Arbor Day is celebrated locally each year.

A scholarship is maintained at El Camino College to assist a qualified student to go on to University. This scholarship is in its third year and El Camino has commended the Parlor for providing this opportunity to a graduating student.

La Tijera has participated in the community affairs since its inception. Members have served in many capacities with the Chamber of Commerce, the Coordinating Council and are now busy with the activities connected with Inglewood's Golden Anniversary. Sizeable sums have been contributed to the Inglewood Boys Band, the Dental Clinic, the Mental Health Clinic, and to the two local hospitals, Centinela Valley and Daniel Freeman. Each Christmas a needy family has been very well taken care of by the Parlor.

A civic luncheon has been held each year inviting the new citizens of the area to be guests of honor. Representatives of all other organizations, the city officials and other Parlor members are invited to attend. An outstanding speaker is always selected and the Choral Group of *La Tijera* entertain.

Members of *La Tijera* Parlor are proud of their heritage, the Native Daughters of the Golden West and their Parlor. They look forward to many years of service and friendship.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTESTS

The response to the invitation to participate in this year's contests, sponsored by the Native Daughters of the Golden West according to Mrs. Marie C. Landini, State Chairman of the Junior College Public Speaking Contests Committee, has been enthusiastic and a greater number of Junior Colleges will have representation in the area contests this spring.

probable that finalists will have the same subject.

The State Chairman and the four Area Chairmen are busily planning for the contests. They are asking the members of the Order to support the contests by inviting friends, family and prospective members to attend.

The first area contest will be held Saturday morning, April 19, at the



1957 Public Speaking Contest Winner

Directors of the Junior Colleges have expressed their appreciation of the contest and have approved of the list of thirty diversified topics. The committee hopes that each student wishing to participate will find a subject of special interest. With such a wide choice of topics it will be less

Stuft Shirt Restaurant, Euclid Avenue and Foothill Blvd., Upland, under the direction of Miss Lillian Graves, Area 4 Chairman, Southern California. A luncheon will be served following the contest.

The next day, April 20, in the afternoon, the Area 3 contest will be held at the California Teachers Association auditorium, 1125 W. Sixth Street, Los Angeles, under the leadership of Mrs. Vida Wells, Chairman of the Southwestern area.

The third contest will be held Saturday afternoon, May 3, at the Native Daughter Home, 555 Baker Street, San Francisco. Mrs. Rhoda Roelling, Grand Inside Sentinel, is the Chairman of Area 1, Northern California.

The final area contest will be held Saturday afternoon, May 10, at the Catholic Women's Center, 5th and San Fernando Streets, San Jose. Area 2, Central California, is under

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GOLDEN JUBILEE . .

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April 12 and 13 the Daniel Freeman Hospital Auxiliary will hold a Spring Festival with tours of the Daniel Freeman-Howland Estate.



La Tijera Parlor and the Centinela Adobe Association will jointly sponsor a tea at the Adobe on April 27 when they will honor pioneers as well as new citizens. Incidentally there will be a tea at the Adobe each month, sponsored by a different organization.

The Inglewood City Schools will have an Education Fair from May 4 to 9. On June 6 and 7 the Inglewood and Morningside High Schools will present a Historical Pageant with over 500 persons participating. Centinela Days will be revived during August 5-9 with a parade on the last day of the festivities.

Historical essay, public speaking and art contests will be held in the schools during the celebration. On November 18 the City Council will bury a Time Capsule and the birthday observance will officially end on November 22 with the Golden Anniversary Banquet sponsored by the local Elks Lodge.

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PICO MANSION . . .

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Chairman of the day was Mrs. Leola Butler, past president of *East Los Angeles* Parlor. Among those introduced was Mrs. Hortensia Aguirre, age 93. Mrs. Aguirre, as far as can be ascertained is the last living link with the Pico landmark, having visited at the mansion many times during Governor Pico's residence there.

Mrs. Evans gave an interesting talk on the project and expressed satisfaction in the culmination of her plans. Martin Cole, Curator of the Pico Mansion gave a brief outline of Governor Pico's life and the his-

tory of his home. Mrs. Gwen Lundgren, Vice President of the Pico Mansion Society spoke on the aims and objects of the Society.

The program included dances by Donna Woolman and Kathleen Wooster, and accordion selection by Wayne Owen. Refreshments were served by Girl Scout Troop 32 of Montebello.

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PLAQUE . . .

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Sacramento Parlor No. 3, N.S.G.W.

Supervising District Deputy Grand Presidents A.A. (Gus) Shaw, N.S. C.W. and Dorothy Buscher, N.D.G.W. were speakers during the dedication ceremony; N.D.G.W. Grand Trustee Mary Ehlers unveiled the plaque.

William J. Burkhard, Superintendent of Sacramento City Unified Wilber Haines, Chairman of the Board of Education, made the acceptance speech.

Following the dedication refreshments were served in the multipurpose room.

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Miss Murphy was teaching a class the Twenty-third Psalm. When she asked the class to repeat it she noticed a discrepancy in the words so she had each child recite individually. Finally, she found one little fellow was concluding his version with this line:

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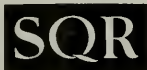
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SPEAKING CONTESTS...

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the chairmanship of Mrs. Wealthy Falk, Grand Trustee.

Refreshments will be served following the contests in Los Angeles, San Francisco and San Jose.

Last year, in addition to the monetary awards, all areas, on a voluntary basis, presented a trophy to the Junior College represented by the first place area winner, for display the following year in their trophy cases. If a Junior College wins the area contest three times, the trophy will be awarded permanently.

The State Finals will be held Tuesday, June 17 at three o'clock at Grand Parlor in Santa Barbara. A trophy cup shall be awarded permanently to the Junior College represented by the winning State Finals Contestant. Mrs. Irma M. Caton, Grand President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, will present the monetary awards to the students and will also make the trophy cup presentation as the close of the contest.

SWISS STEAK DINNER

East Los Angeles Parlor No. 266 N.D.G.W. is having its annual "Swiss Steak Dinner" May 6, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the I.O.O.F. Hall, 124 N. Fifth St., Montebello. Donation for adults is \$1.50; children 75 cents.

Tickets are also on sale for a blanket that is to be raffled off at the dinner. The proceeds from the blanket will go to the Mission Restoration fund. Pretty aprons will also be on sale. The public is invited to attend.

STOCKTON PARLOR

Stockton Parlor No. 256, N.D.G.W. celebrated its 24th anniversary. A dinner at The Reef preceded the business meeting at the Native Sons' Hall, with Mrs. Walter Talbot presiding. Among the 86 attending were 15 charter members. Birthday cake was served by Mrs. Edward Higgins and her committee.

Activities of the Parlor included a rummage sale held in March and a card party held at the home of Mrs. Primo Rede sponsored by the drill team, Mrs. Albert Bisagno, captain. A book, *California Firsts*, by Rockwell Hunt, was purchased and placed in the library in memory of

Maude Cox Harrison. Bear flags were presented by the Parlor to the following schools: Saint Mary's of the Assumption, Saint Mary's of the Annunciation and Saint George's. An American flag, donated by Mrs. Irene Schwall, was also presented to St. George's school. The presentation of the flags were made by Americanism Chairman Mrs. Edward Lehn and Past President Miss Eudina Rede.

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PARLOR PRESENTS TREE

On Arbor Day, March 7, 1958, during the twenty-fourth annual Conservation Week, Barbara Hall, chairman of Conservation for *Reina del Mar* Parlor No. 126, N.D.G.W., presented a six foot redwood tree to the Cathedral Oaks Grammar School on Turnpike Road, Santa Barbara.

Judy Cloer, president of the Student Body accepted the presentation. Assisting her were fellow student officers Richard Vernon, vice-president; Judy Hillendahl, secretary-treasurer, and Joan Ritchie, president of Safety Patrol at the local school.

Also present were Edward J. Zuzalek, principal and Stanley Smith, gardener.

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H. S. PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The Native Sons of the Golden West are sponsoring their 21st annual state-wide High School Student Public Speaking Contest. William H. Dombrink of Oakland is General Chairman. Elimination contests were held the last two weeks in March. The winners of these contests will compete during the third and fourth weeks of April in district contests. The State finals are held at the Grand Parlor session at Stockton in May.

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FASHION SHOW

Rio Hondo Parlor No. 284, N.D.G.W., held their final money raising project for the year on March 22 at the Silver Saddle Inn, Downey. The affair included a luncheon and a beautiful fashion show. Ways and Means Chairman was Mary Kratz.

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When King Mohamed V of Morocco was visiting a supermarket in Los Angeles, a small boy, sitting on a shopping cart, hailed him with the greeting, "Hi, King."

AT THE BAR . . .

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conference room, shut the door and told him to sit down.

"What can I do for you?" I asked.

"Some time ago," he began, "I was made a trusty. My job is to carry meals to men in the cells. One day a fellow gave me a note and asked me to give it to a kid in the juvenile tank. I didn't know what to do so I talked to the chief trusty. He told me either to give the note to the jailor or to tear it up. I tore it up. Today, this guy gave me another note to give the kid. I thought it over. I figured that you had given me a break when you could have sent me to the pen, so I decided to do the decent thing. Here is the note."

He handed me a wadded-up piece of paper which I unfolded and read. It outlined the story which the two older defendants intended to tell on the witness stand in the Westminster cafe hold-up case, and warned the young chap to corroborate them. I thanked the trusty and returned to my office.

The evidence against the men at the trial was overwhelming. Not only was there the testimony of the cafe proprietor, but a witness identified the license plate on the "get-away car." There was excellent evidence of finger prints on the water glasses from which the defendants had drunk when their sandwich orders were taken. In addition, the young man had made damaging admissions.

Despite this array of evidence, the two older men testified. After the second of them had told his story which corresponded exactly with the contents of the message he had written to the boy in the juvenile tank, he was shown the note. He gulped. His mouth opened and closed as though he were speaking, but not a sound came forth. It was as though his vocal chords were paralyzed. Verdicts of guilty speedily followed.

Immediately afterward I went over to the jail and asked for the trusty. I said to him, "You have been of great help. What is more important you have proved yourself worthy of the faith I placed in you. Now about yourself, you probably are worried as to what the other prisoners will do to you when they learn about the note."

"Yes, I've thought a lot about it," he answered, "but I'll be careful. When I give them their food, I'll stay away from them so they can't grab me."

"I'll tell you something better than that," I replied. "The parole board has just met and has given orders for your immediate release."

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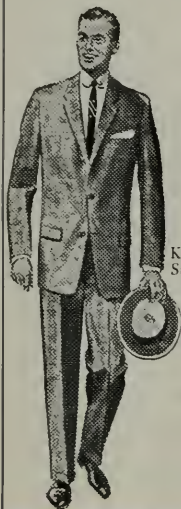
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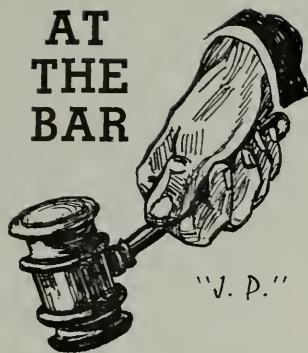
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It is human to remember the pleasant experiences of the past and to forget the disagreeable things. Perhaps this mental quirk permits the older lawyer to look back on his younger days with a feeling of nostalgia. I confess that I occasionally find myself under the spell of the memories of the past.

Somehow, today I remember incidents as being funny which were exceedingly exasperating when they occurred. Like most young lawyers my early practice found me frequently in the justice courts. I tried cases before justices of the peace like Judge Cox of Santa Ana who was a barber by trade. He possessed an irascible temper and gained national notoriety for launching Bebe Daniels on a movie career by sentencing her to five days in jail for a traffic violation.

We called these justices of the peace "J.P.'s" and facetiously explained that the term meant "judgment for the plaintiff." Actually "J.P." could mean almost anything for these justices were as unpredictable as a summer rain. Most of them were honest and well intentioned. Many possessed an excellent sense of justice. In criminal cases, when the legal problems were not too difficult, they did their work passably well.

There were exceptions, of course. I remember once defending a man for a petty offense. Shortly after the jury had retired the "J.P." disappeared. I later learned that he had entered the jury room and had vainly attempted to persuade the jurors to return a verdict of guilty. Some years later another "J.P." asked me to visit the jury and "straighten them out" on a point of law!

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MAY IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

The first permanent settlement in California was established at San Diego, May 17, 1769.

The first white men to cross the Sierra Nevada Mountains were Jedediah Smith and two companions on May 27, 1827.

The first Catholic seminary in California was founded at Santa Inés Mission on May 7, 1844. There were 5 students.

The first issue of the first newspaper of Los Angeles was published May 17, 1851. It was called *La Estrella de Los Angeles* or *The Los Angeles Star*. It contained four pages, two in English and two in Spanish.

The first California Agricultural Society was formed in Sacramento on May 13, 1854. The aim was to promote agriculture, horticulture and stock raising in California.

The first movement in California for a shorter working day was initiated in convention by working men in San Francisco. They asked for an eight-hour day instead of the customary longer hours.

The first cargo of California products left San Pedro for the east coast via Panama Canal on May 13, 1914.

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ON LAST MARCH 15 the State Legislature met at the old capitol at Benicia where it had convened 105 years ago. Thanks to a \$230,000 appropriation the famous structure has been restored to its original condition and is now a State historical monument.

In the early 1850's California's capital wandered from place to place. Originally the seat of government was at San Jose. On January 5, 1852, the Legislature met at Vallejo where housing conditions were

so inadequate that eight days later the legislators boarded the steamer *Empire* and sailed to Sacramento. That city experienced a flood on March 7 and there was talk of moving to San Francisco.

The Legislature convened at Vallejo on January 3, 1853, and on February 4 it moved to Benicia where it was given the newly erected city hall for its capitol. On May 18 Benicia was officially declared to be the State's permanent seat of government. Although ostensibly erected

for municipal purposes, there is no question but that the citizens of Benicia had built their city hall with an eye to making it the State's capitol.

In the autumn of the same year that the capital was established at Benicia a strong campaign was launched to move the seat of government to Sacramento. When the Legislature met in the following January, Governor John Bigler forcibly warned it that the public records of the State were being "kept in fragile frame buildings without fireproof vaults or safes." This situation was particularly alarming to the lawmakers who had witnessed several disastrous fires since 1849.

Two days after the governor had spoken the City of Sacramento offered the free use of its courthouse together with fireproof vaults. Moreover, it offered to give a large square upon which to erect a future capitol. By way of further inducement it agreed to move the legislators and other public officials, as well as records and State property free of charge. Succumbing to these proposals the Legislature passed a bill moving the capital to Sacramento which Governor Bigler signed on February 24. Three days later the removal was effected.

Benicia got back its building for it had anticipated the fickleness of the Legislature and had provided that the capitol should return to the ownership of the city in the event the seat of government was changed. Thereafter the structure was variously used as a courthouse, school building and city hall.

On the morning of March 15, 1958, some 2,500 visitors crowded around the steps of the old capitol to view the ceremonies at which Joseph R. Knowland, Chairman of the State Parks Commission, accepted the historic edifice on behalf of the State. Prominent in the assemblage was California's beloved actor, Leo Car-

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Newbury Park Stagecoach Inn

by Myrtle C. Dudley



ONE OF THE HISTORIC landmarks of Ventura County is the old Stagecoach Inn at Newbury Park. It was built in 1876 by James Hammel and until the Southern Pacific brought its rails into the county eleven years later the old hostelry served as a stopover for stagecoach passengers from points north to Los Angeles.

The inn stands upon the historic Rancho *El Conejo* [The Rabbit] which was granted by Governor Arrillaga in 1802 to José Polanco and Ignacio Rodriguez. The exact original boundaries of this ranch are not known, but in 1822 the grant became known as *Nuestra Señora de Alta Gracia* [Our Lady of High Grace] Rancho and was partitioned, a portion being given to Captain José de la Guerra y Noriega.

E. S. Newbury acquired considerable acreage of the great rancho which he subdivided into farms. A small settlement sprang up in the midst of his holdings which he called *Newbury Park*. A postoffice was established in 1875 with Newbury as first postmaster.

The old inn, long known as the "Big Hotel," was adapted to other uses with the decline of stagecoaching. It served as a public school as well as a boys academy. As a community center of the Conejo Valley it was the scene of many dances, home talent plays and other social events. For a time it housed a Sunday school. For ten years, commencing in 1939, it was used for a restaurant. Now it is occupied by a gift shop.

For many years it had been the ambition of Mrs. Ethel Haigh Hays to have the old building properly marked as a historical monument. She had been born in the inn which her grandparents had operated. Unfortunately she passed away before her ambition could be realized. However, her faithful husband, Simon, continued to hope that the marker might be erected.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Myrtle C. Dudley of Fillmore, is the History and Landmarks Chairman of El Aliso Parlor No. 314 of Santa Paula.

He and Mr. Joe Russell, author of the recently published book, *Cattle on the Conejo*, brought the matter to the attention of the Ventura County Historical Society which endorsed the project. *El Aliso* Parlor No. 314, NDGW, and *Cabrillo* Parlor No. 114, NSGW, joined with the Society in raising the necessary funds to purchase, erect and inscribe a suitable marker.

One month before Mr. Hays passed away I had the pleasure of meeting him at a historical society dinner and informing him that the necessary money had been raised and that the marker would soon be a reality. Unfortunately he did not live to see the marker dedicated on September 7, 1957.

On the day of the dedication Mrs. F. E. Jefferies, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hays, unveiled the redwood marker which had been placed in the front yard of the inn facing Highway 101. Its inscription in white letters reads:

"Stage Coach Inn, erected by James Hammel in 1876. Used as a Coast Stage Line depot and hotel. From 1887 to 1901 used by local stages between Los Angeles and Hueneme or Saticoy.

"In memory of Simon P. Hays and Ethel Hays, life-long residents of Conejo Valley."

A brass plaque affixed to the marker is inscribed with the names of the Ventura County Historical Society, *El Aliso* Parlor No. 314, NDGW and *Cabrillo* Parlor No. 114, NSGW.

At the ceremonies Jack Morrison, curator of the Ventura County Museum and secretary of the Ventura County Historical Society, discussed various historical markers which had been erected in the County. Mrs. Jefferies read a letter from Mr. Russell wherein he recounted his memories of the old inn.

All groups sponsoring the marking took part in the dedication ceremonies.

The old Newbury Park Inn is a symbol of service. Eighty years ago it welcomed the weary traveler who descended from the stagecoach with aching muscles after a hard day's ride. It provided him with plenty of good, warm food and afforded him with a good night's rest. Today its presence breathes the spirit of hospitality of the Old West.

AN EFFORT was made in 1851 to bridge the continent by a pack mule mail service which operated very briefly between Placerville, California, and Salt Lake City, Utah. At Salt Lake City, it connected with more or less uncertain stage coaches running to the Mississippi river country.

Three other overland mail services came into existence, all briefly, before the advent of the transcontinental railroad in 1869.

The first was the San Antonio and San Diego Mail Line, familiarly known as the "Jackass Mail," in 1857. The second was the Butterfield Overland Mail, which operated from 1858 to 1861, carrying mail and passengers from the Missouri River Valley to San Francisco. The third was the Pony Express organized to handle mail from San Francisco to the mid-west in 1860.

The San Antonio and San Diego Mail Line, or "Jackass Mail," was hurriedly organized in 1857 by James E. Birch, a New Englander who had been operating stage coaches in California's gold fields for a number of years. His California Stage Company appears to have had a virtual monopoly in the Sacramento region in the early 50's. He appointed Isaiah C. Woods, who had been with the Adams Express Co. in San Francisco, superintendent, and one of his first drivers was James Mason, for whom Mason Valley in the mountains east of San Diego was named. Another associate was George H. Giddings, who held the original mail contract from San Antonio to El Paso, which was merged into the Jackass Mail.

In the spring of 1857 the United States Government made a contract with Birch to handle the first organized overland mail system. Mail to be sent overland was gathered at New Orleans, sent by ship to Indianola, Texas, (now the port of Lavaca, Texas), then by stage coach to San Antonio.

Birch's contract with the United States Government was for a period of four years, at \$149,800 per year for semi-monthly mail and passenger service between San Antonio and San Diego. Subsequently arrange-

ments were made for more frequent trips, and the government payment increased to \$196,000 annually.

On July 9, 1857, the first mail of the San Antonio and San Diego Mail line left for the far west with James Mason in charge. He and his companions probably rode mules, as there had not been time enough to get regular conveyances. On July 19 a stage, the reins handled by "Bigfoot" Wallace, started west, and on July 24, a light ambulance, carrying the second mail pouch, left with Henry Skillman on the driver's box. It appears that various types of conveyances were used east of the Colorado River, drawn by hardy mules. West of the Colorado, mules were

ridden over the desert and up the steep mountain grades leading to San Diego. San Francisco and Los Angeles editors, jealous that San Diego should be the terminus of the first overland mail, therefore dubbed the route the "Jackass Mail."

Many were the vicissitudes of the drivers in their long westward journey. Not many days out of San Antonio, "Bigfoot" Wallace's stage was ambushed by war-like Indians. Wallace escaped by hiding in brush near the road, but a companion, Clifford, was killed; the mules were stolen and the coach destroyed. Mason's first mail was overtaken by Skillman's second mail in New Mexico,

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Illustrated by Edward J. Pugh

Pioneer Overland Mail

by Philip S. Rush

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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LEADING INTO THE HEART of Sierra County, in the early days, were two main trails. One started from Marysville and wound up through Yuba County to Foster's Bar. The other began at Nevada City in Nevada County and meandered in and out of one gulch after another until it crossed San Juan Ridge and finally arrived at Camp-tonville near the western border of Sierra County.

Over these mazy paths the Mis-sionaries traveled on muleback to reach the mining camps along the North Fork of the Yuba River and the rocky passages of old Slate Creek. In 1850 there was an estimated popu-lation of 5,000 people in and around Downieville and the city was made the county seat on April 16, 1852.

It was in the summer of this year that Father Acker came to the min-ing region as a missionary, but the record of his labors has been lost and almost forgotten. From 1850 to 1853 all the diggings in Sierra County were in a flourishing condition, well supplied with gambling houses and saloons which in turn were full of patrons who in consequence were generally full of ardent spirits and good cheer.

In those days the refining influ-ence of virtuous womanhood was for the most part absent and men of religious tendencies found no minister of God at hand to break to them the bread of life. It has been stated that Father Acker held services in Bullard's Bar in 1852 while on his way to Downieville. His mule had been accidentally killed and during his short visit to the min-ing camp he held services in the canvas store of James Lawrence.

There was no stage or wagon road between Foster's Bar and Downie-ville at that time and the good padre took to the trails on muleback. The course he followed was in general the one first blazed by Downie in 1849 for whom the town of Downie-ville was named. It passed over the ridge to Mountain House and thence down to the North Fork of the Yuba River and Goodyears Bar from where it followed the bed of the stream to Downieville.

In the spring of 1853 Father Shanahan became interested in this sec-tion and made his first endeavor to organize a church here. The town was entirely destroyed by fire on



Church of Immaculate Conception

Downieville Pioneer Catholic Church

by Mary Dorney

February 19, 1853, so that when the missionary arrived the people were more concerned with reestablishing their businesses and homes than any-thing else and consequently little hope could be held out for erecting a house of worship. However, some of the local Catholics got a committee together and promised the Father to see to the erection of a church as soon as possible.

Looking about for a suitable site they examined a piece of land on the hill north of town where the Bap-tists had had a church until it burned down in the recent fire. Learning that their friends had no intention of rebuilding they purchased the property and laid the foundations of their church.

Because of failing eyesight Father Shanahan was called to San Francis-

co. He was replaced by Father Dey-aert who remained until March, 1855, when he was succeeded by Father Dalton. For several months Father Dalton had no fixed abode, spending that period in visiting one camp after another until he took up his residence in Nevada City. The mis-sions in Sierra County still remained under his jurisdiction, however, and it was at this time, according to tra-dition, that he had the final touches put on the little church at Downie-ville and which was named the Church of the Immaculate Concep-tion. After 100 years it still graces the picturesque hillside overlooking the historic village at the forks of the North Yuba River (which in-cidentally has been renamed Downie River for some reason or another.)

In 1952 the Parish celebrated the anniversary of the first Mass with His Excellency Bishop Armstrong officiating. This year a cement foun-dation was put under the church re-placing the old wooden supports which had been there almost a cen-tury.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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BENEDICION

DE LOS ANIMALES

THE CUSTOM of blessing the animals dates back to the days of the Patron Saint of the animal kingdom, San Antonio de Abad, whose death is recorded in the year 356. This ancient ceremony is given in grateful recognition of the great service given to the human race by the animal kingdom.

Year after year, the Mexican people of Olvera Street, in Los Angeles, have followed this old tradition. On Sábado de Gloria, the Holy Saturday before Easter, the parade forms. Garlands of flowers are placed around the necks of the larger animals; bright ribbons festoon the bird cages and decorate the smaller animals. A shiny black Holstein cow wearing a blanket of white gardenias and a crown of orchids upon her horns, leads the parade. Into the patio of the old historic Church of Our Lady Queen of the Angels come the animals to be blessed.

Father Macrinus Nino holds the golden receptacle of holy water high so that the crystal drops of blessing fall on each passing animal as he chants the Benediction:

"Almighty Father, we bless these animals for all they have done for us, in supplying our food, in carrying our burdens, providing us with clothing and companionship and rendering a service to the human race since the world began."

It is appropriate that the animals be blessed in the Old Plaza church, for in the early days of Los Angeles, the people had to journey for Mass a distance of nine miles to Mission San Gabriel. There were no funds with which to build a church in the new pueblo so the good Father appealed to the Rancheros who donated 500 head of cattle. These were auctioned off in the Plaza at \$5 per head to provide funds for a place of worship. The cornerstone of the church was laid in the year 1814.

The early prosperity of California came not with the discovery of gold but in the trade value of hides and tallow which were used as barter, to purchase all everyday household necessities and goods. So, on Sábado de Gloria, the animals of Los Angeles

are invited to come to Olvera Street and in the patio of the old Plaza Church receive man's blessing.

Included among the patrons for the blessing were PCP Grace S. Stoerner NDCW; Judge and Mrs. McIntyre Faries; Supervisor and Mrs. John Anson Ford; Leo Carrillo; Florence Atherton Irish; Princess Conchita Pignatelli; Florencia Sepulveda de Schoneman and many others.

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A Navy Surgeon in California. The Journal of Marius Duvall. Edited by Fred Blackburn Rogers. John Howell, San Francisco, \$10.

Duvall was surgeon on the U. S. Sloop-of-War *Portsmouth* which arrived at Monterey in April, 1846, just in time to participate in the Mexican War. Most of his experiences took place around the Bay Area.

He was on the *Portsmouth's* launch which brought supplies to Frémont when he was stationed near Sutter's Fort. He also took part in the Battle of Santa Clara. Duvall makes some very interesting contemporary observations of Frémont, Sutter, Vallejo, Charles M. Weber, Dr. John Marsh and others.

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The Valley Imperial. Vol. II. Edited by Elizabeth Harris, Holtville.

In reading this interesting annual on the history of Imperial Valley we came upon a little gem that is both a commentary and a tribute. It is called, "Who are the pioneers?" The author's name is not given and we assume it was written by Elizabeth Harris, the editor. It commences, "The first desert pioneers were men and women who had no hobbies, because they did not have time to pursue them. Their days were filled with work. They sat in their yards, or on their screened porches, on summer evenings, not particularly to chat with their families and visitors, but to wait for the night to cool their beds so they could sleep."

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The Blessing of the Animals



July 4, 1876. Looking east on Stockton's main street — Weber Avenue, in front of the present Courthouse site.

Stockton : California's Only Inland Port

IN THE SPRING of 1843, five years before the City of Stockton became an entity, William Gulnac, a native of New York State, and Peter Lassen, a native of Denmark, set out from San Jose with a herd of cattle. Their purpose was to secure free pasturage on government land during the summer.

As they passed a site known as French Camp Gulnac realized its suitability for a cattle ranch. He later applied to Governor Micheltorena for a grant and received the 11 square leagues (48,747 acres) which he named *Campo de los Franceses* (Camp of the Frenchmen.) This included within its boundaries the site of the present city of Stockton. At the time the grant was made, Gulnac had 200 head of cattle and 40 horses and mules. He was a naturalized Mexican citizen and had married a Spanish-California girl by whom he had seven children.

In the fall of 1844, the same year he received the grant, Gulnac brought to his ranch four families who settled there and cared for his livestock. Every effort was made to create a permanent settlement. Gulnac, however, lived in San Jose where he had a blacksmith shop.

When Micheltorena's war came

on, Gulnac took up arms on behalf of his benefactor. Unfortunately at the conclusion of hostilities, when he returned to the ranch, he found that Indians had driven away all of his cattle and destroyed the houses.

By this time Gulnac became discouraged in trying to develop the ranch. Cash was scarce. He owed a \$60 grocery bill to Captain Charles M. Weber's general store in San



Main Street, about 1890, looking West from center of block between California and American. Wood awnings and sidewalks visible.

City of Stockton

California

April 17, 1955

TO THE NATIVE SONS OF THE GOLDEN WEST:

Stockton, the City often called the Gateway to the beautiful and productive San Joaquin Valley; the City with its past firmly anchored in the golden history of California; is glad and proud to welcome the Native Sons of the Golden West to their 81st Grand Parlor.

With appreciation for our past glories and confidence that our City and State will participate as vigorously and successfully in a future equally rich and promising; we are happy to compliment the Native Sons of the Golden West on the fine spirit of achievement and comradeship represented by your 81 years of fraternal existence. Our traditions and yours have a similar heritage, rooted deep in our State's history and accomplishments. As Mayor of Stockton it is a privilege to bid you welcome to the City.

Harvey M. Stull
Mayor

Jose. In desperation he deeded Rancho Campo de los Franceses to Captain Weber in settlement of this small debt. Captain Weber went to work with vim to develop the ranch he had so cheaply acquired. By 1847 he had a 1,000 cattle on it and by the next year a hundred families had located on the tract.

The settlement was first known as *Weberville*. It was also called *Tuleburg* because of the profusion of rushes or tules that grew thereabouts. The lure of gold in the neighboring Mother Lode brought thousands of fortune hunters through the region. After a trip to the mines with the Stockton Mining and Trading Company, which he had organized, Weber returned to the settlement in September, 1848, and opened a store as a supply point for the newly discovered Southern Mines. The following spring the townsite was formally laid out and renamed *Stockton* in honor of Commodore Robert Field Stockton who had shortly before taken possession of California for the United States. The city was incorporated July 23, 1850, about two months before California was admitted to the Union.

Water transportation from San Francisco Bay up the San Joaquin River made Stockton a supply point for food, equipment and repairs. Along with the Argonauts came the builders—farmers, merchants, workers and investors. The delta lands

proved fabulously fertile and the natural transportation facilities were excellent.

The City of Stockton now has miles of paved streets, multi-storied buildings, beautiful homes, colleges, factories and busy warehouses. It possesses a deep water port where ocean going vessels load cargoes for world market. Almost to the heart of the city extends the channel navigable to its very end, its banks solid with industry. One hundred thirty-five thousand people now make their homes in a city which Captain Weber founded among the tules.

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• PICTURE ON COVER

The picture on the cover is of the Port of Stockton, California's only inland seaport, which is located 88 nautical miles from San Francisco's Golden Gate. Here ocean going vessels discharge cargo for interior California and take on products for direct shipment to foreign ports. The Port can berth 10 of the largest ships of the U.S. Merchant Marine at any one time. It is the home of the S.S. Angelo Petri, the nation's only wine tanker. In the left foreground of the picture are shown the new \$4,000,000 Stockton Elevators, largest facility of its type west of the Mississippi, with 83 silos and a 4 million hushel capacity. The photo was furnished through the courtesy of the Stockton Chamber of Commerce.



Aerial view with Port of Stockton, Stockton Naval Annex in background and Mt. Diablo in extreme background.



Diamond Walnut Growers Plant recently built in Stockton. Air view of ten million dollar plant shows administration building to left of main building; cold storage tower rises at right. Plant covers 14 of the 50 acres in site.



Stockton (about 1925) looking towards town from Deep Water Channel. One of old river boats (stern paddler) can be seen on Channel. River runs right into downtown area.



TENTATIVE PROGRAM

GRAND PARLOR

NATIVE SONS

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GOLDEN WEST

SUNDAY, MAY 18

Registration during the afternoon at Hotel Stockton, 133 E. Weber, Stockton. Reception at 8:00 p.m. at Native Sons of the Golden West Hall, 809 North Hunter Street.

MONDAY, MAY 19

Opening Ceremonies of Grand Parlor at 10:30 a.m. in the Municipal Auditorium. Official Visit of Grand President, Native Daughters of the Golden West at 3:00 p.m., followed by the annual Memorial Services. Public Speaking Contest Finals in the evening.

TUESDAY, MAY 20

Opening Ceremonies of Grand Parlor and a full business day. Grand Ball in the evening at Auditorium.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

PLAY DAY

Golf in the morning. Barbecue at Noon in Oak Park. Annual Banquet in the evening.

THURSDAY, MAY 22

Election of Grand Officers; polls opening about 8:00 a.m. Opening Ceremonies of Grand Parlor; a business meeting followed by the Installation of Officers.

Special events have been planned for the ladies on each day.

GREETINGS FROM LARRY J. LAFLEUR GRAND PRESIDENT N. S. G. W.

Members of the 81st
Grand Parlor and Friends:

Our eighty-first Grand Parlor will convene in the city of Stockton on the third Monday in May. Stockton, one of California's great inland ports, is easily accessible by automobile, train or airplane from all areas of California. There are many points of interest in Stockton and many historic landmarks within easy driving distance of this great San Joaquin Valley metropolis. I am sure each delegate and visitor will enjoy the plans that are being formulated to make your stay an interesting and memorable event.

It is my sincere hope that every Native Son Parlor will send delegates to our Grand Parlor session. Remember that our Order cannot accomplish the purpose for which it was founded without the support of every member. The delegates are your representatives. They speak and vote for you in our deliberations. Only if there is a full complement of delegates can we be sure the aim and objectives of our sessions will receive due consideration and receive your continued support.

My sincere appreciation and thanks to every Native Son for his cooperation and assistance during my term as your Grand President. And my thanks to the Native Daughters of the Golden West for the many

courtesies shown me this past year.

California is destined to become the greatest state in the union. The Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West can grow and become stronger along with our state. This is only possible if each and every one of you will give your full support to the incoming Grand President and his officers.

So, may I have the pleasure of greeting you and as many delegates as possible at Stockton? Make your motto "Stockton Here We Come."

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Larry J. Lafleur
Grand President
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FIRST JOINT PILGRIMAGE NSGW AND NDGW

Commemorating the 112th anniversary of the raising of the American flag by John C. Fremont in

California on March 4, 1846, the Native Sons and Native Daughters of the Golden West headed by Grand President Larry J. Lafleur and Grand President Irma M. Caton, joined the Fremont Peak Committee of *San Juan Bautista* Parlor No. 179 NDGW in celebrating Annual Peak Day ceremonies April 20. The site of the Flag Raising is eleven miles south of San Juan Bautista and is now known as Fremont Peak State Park.

Master of Ceremonies Lester Bisho introduced the dignitaries of the Native Daughters, Native Sons, State Park personnel and other distinguished guests. The opening remarks were by Grand President Larry J. Lafleur. Speaker of the day was Dr. Peter T. Conny, PGP and Director of Historical Research NSGW. Ray Gervais and his committee had charge of the races and games for the children.



Sutter Post Office Dedication. From left: Larry J. Lafleur, Grand President NSGW; Robert Fahs, Assistant Regional Director of Post Office Department; and Mrs. Jewel McLean. Inserts: Plaque on exterior of Post Office and pictures of President Dwight D. Eisenhower and Arthur E. Summerfield, Postmaster General.

Plaque Dedicated at Sutter Post Office

by Elizabeth A. Clements

In the small community of Sutter, California, at the foot of the Sutter Buttes approximately 500 persons gathered at the Sutter High School to witness the official dedication of the new Sutter Post Office in memory of Stanley R. McLean, postmaster for 35 years and Past President of Sutter Parlor No. 261, NSGW, who died in 1956.

Despite heavy rains the ceremonies were opened by a parade led by the Sutter High School Band followed by the Drill Team of South Butte Parlor No. 226, NDGW, Boy Scouts, Explorer and Cub Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Blue Birds groups and 4-H Clubs.

Edward L. Putman, Past President of Sutter Parlor No. 261, NSGW, introduced Mrs. Jewel McLean, acting postmaster and widow of Stanley McLean. The tribute to McLean was presented by Seth Millington, Past Grand President, NSGW. Presentation of the plaque was made by the Native Daughters. The color

guard presented the American Flag which had been sent by Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield. The flag had been flown over the Post Office in Washington D.C. The California Bear Flag was presented by South Butte Parlor No. 226, NDGW.

The dedication ceremonies were conducted by Larry J. Lafleur, Grand President, NSGW; Seth Millington, Past Grand President, NSGW; Raymond Shone, Grand First Vice President, NSGW; George Ewart, Grand Trustee and Frank Christy, Grand Inside Sentinel, NSGW. Guest speaker was Robert Fahs of San Francisco, Assistant Regional Director for the Post Office Department.

Special guests included Fern Adams, Grand Inside Sentinel, NDGW, of Willows and Esther Sullivan, Past Grand President, NDGW, of Marysville. Coffee and sandwiches were served at the Native Daughters Hall in Sutter by the South Butte Parlor No. 226.

Mill Valley's Old Mill

Time has taken toll of Mill Valley's Old Mill and members of the various county Parlors of Native Sons and Native Daughters of the Golden West are getting together to see what can be done in the way of restoration and preservation.

The old mill was built sometime between 1833 and 1835 in a ravine about one-half mile southwest of the old John Reed home. It was 35 feet wide and 100 feet long and was held together with 4 inch wooden pegs. It was run by two water wheels. The lumber came from all of Southern Marin. The wood was cut and shipped to San Francisco. The operation of the mill itself was discontinued in 1852.

Working on the Old Mill restoration project are Mrs. Sadie Oliver, Seapoint No. 196; Mrs. James Brunette, Tamalpa No. 231; Mrs. Georgiana Gabb, Marinita No. 198; Mrs. Stewart Reed, Fairfax No. 225; C. W. Iverson, Mt. Tamalpais No. 64, NSGW; Bernard Rodriguez, Seapoint No. 158, NSGW; Adolph Ardito and Al Fields, Fairfax No. 301, NSGW; Bernard Rodriguez, Sea-Mrs. Sadie Oliver c/o Mrs. Walter Lethbridge, 17 Elizabeth Way, San Rafael.

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Riverside Stag

Riverside Parlor No. 299, NSGW enjoyed a gala stag dinner on April 15 at the Box Springs Club House of the VFW, Riverside. An evening of entertainment followed.

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Lafleur Dedicates Buildings

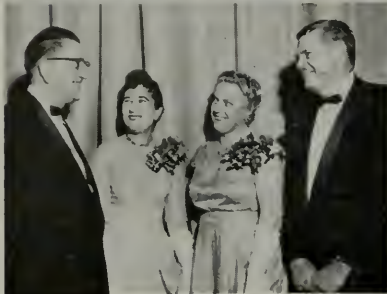
Tierra del Rey No. 300 NDGW presented two California Bear Flags. Mrs. Don Smith, president of the Parlor, presented one to the new Edison School, Redondo Beach, and the other to the Hermosa Beach Parks and Recreation Administration Building.

Larry J. Lafleur, Grand President NSGW dedicated both buildings.

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Parlor Party

Los Angeles Parlor No. 45, NSGW held its annual 'Old Timers and Past Presidents Night', April 10.



PARLOR NEWS

UPPER LEFT: Wearing these raiments of yesteryear at the Carpinteria Pioneer Tea are (from left) Mrs. C. Fred Clausen, Mrs. Philip Van Deusen, Mrs. Rudolf Ziesenhenne and Mrs. Frances L. Castro. **UPPER RIGHT:** Los Angeles Parlor presents flag to CTA. From left: Erlinda Eastman, chairman of Americanism; Warren C. Baussmann, Director of Special Services for California Teachers Association, and Vivian G. Morse, President of Los Angeles Parlor No. 124, NDGW. **LOWER LEFT:** ATOLA gives NDGW award. From left: Garvin Haist, ATOLA Chairman; Jewel McSweeney, NDGW State Chairman, Childrens Foundation; Eileen Dismuke, Grand Vice President, NDGW and Dr. Robert A. Skaife, Executive Secretary ATOLA.

CARPINTERIA PIONEER TEA

Tierra de Oro No. 304 held its third annual Carpinteria Valley Pioneers' Tea in the Veterans' Memorial Building, Carpinteria. Mrs. William Birss, past president of *Tierra de Oro*, was chairman of the event, and was assisted in welcoming guests by Mrs. Deane Upton, president of the Parlor, and Mrs. Betty Clark, marshal.

Over 200 guests attending the tea and reception, heard an address by Father Maynard Geiger, OFM, historian of the Santa Barbara Mission, who reviewed the early history of Carpinteria Valley as found in the manuscripts preserved in the Old Mission files, on which meticulous records were kept by the Spanish

priest-explorers late in the 18th century. He recalled that the town of Carpinteria was the location of an old Indian village which housed approximately 600 friendly primitives whose chief diet consisted of fish, caught from the crude but navigable boats which were made in the village. This village was given the name *Carpinteria* by the Spanish soldiers because of this activity.

Mary Ellen Rivero, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adan Rivero presented a Spanish dance. Mrs. Rivero is Inside Sentinel of the Parlor. Mrs. Glen Self, conservation chairman and Second Vice President presented a cedrus deodar tree to the Board of Governors of the Memorial Building to be used in the new Memorial Park.

Mrs. Rolland Ogan and nephew, Sheldon Martin, arranged an old time picture exhibit.

A high point of the program was the old-time fashion show which *Tierra de Oro* members and members of pioneer families staged for the guests. This activity in charge of Mmes. Rufus Nagel and Everett A. Lewis contained gowns from the collections of Carpinteria and Santa Barbara pioneer families.

Grand Officers NDGW present were Grand President Irma M. Catton, PGP Estelle Evans, PGP Audrey Brown, Grand Vice President Eileen Dismuke, Grand Trustee Dorothy J. Helm, Grand Inside Sentinel Rhoda Roelling and Grand Outside Sentinel Fern E. Adams.

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ATOLA AWARD RECEIVED

With a record breaking crowd of 839 persons in attendance at the Statler Hotel, the Affiliated Teacher Organizations of Los Angeles held its eighth annual Awards Banquet to honor community organizations for their service to youth. Among the six organizations cited for their outstanding contributions to the welfare of youth was the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

Miss Jewel McSweeney, State chairman of Children's Foundation received the plaque. In receiving the award Miss McSweeney said in part:

"Our organization is dedicated to the social, cultural, and historical development of California. Work with children is not new to the Native Daughters of the Golden West because for more than forty-five years we carried on a State-wide adoption program, and relinquished active participation in this field only when County Welfare Departments were equipped to carry on this work.

"We felt the need for another service to children. A state committee, headed by Mrs. Louis Hansen of Glendale, a Past Grand President of our Order, studied the needs of children in the State of California . . .

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Because of this study the NDGW Children's Foundation was established to serve the needs of children from infancy to sixteen years of age who were not covered by any other existing aid.

"We serve the big and little needs of children whether material or physical. Braces, wheelchairs, camperships for sightless children, costly operations, speech lessons, hearing aids, corrective shoes, and dental work are but a few of the needs

served . . . Tonight, as you honor the Native Daughters of the Golden West for their service to children, may I express the personal appreciation of every member of our Order as we heed the words of the Master Teacher who said, 'Suffer little children to come unto Me.'"

FLAG PRESENTED

Los Angeles Parlor No. 124 NDGW, presented a California Bear Flag to the California Teachers Association,

Los Angeles. Presentation was made by Past Grand President Grace S. Stoermer, who spoke on Native Daughter projects, and the history of the Bear Flag. Vivian Morse, Parlor president and Erlinda Eastman, Chairman of Americanism, were introduced by Miss Stoermer.

PARLOR'S BIRTHDAY

Rudecinda No. 230 NDGW observed its 33rd birthday by honoring
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UPPER LEFT: Rudecinda Parlor observes birthday. From left: Florence Dodson Schoneman; President Alice J. Parker and SDCP Irene McKibbin. UPPER RIGHT: La Tiejera presents Inglewood with its first official flag. Grand Marshal Maxiene Porter, NDGW, left; Mayor George C. England, right; and Inglewood pioneers Sam M. Greene, Thomas E. Trulove and Eula Spaulding, former city treasurer. LOWER LEFT: Attending District 33's luncheon for the Childrens Foundation were Grand President Irma M. Caton; PGP Jewel McSweeney, State chairman of Childrens Foundation committee; Grand Vice President Eileen Dismuke, and Gloria De Bernardi, president of Reina del Mar. LOWER RIGHT: Grand President tours Pio Pico Mansion. Front row seated: Rhoda Roelling, Grand Inside Sentinel; Grand President Irma M. Caton, NDGW; Dorothy Miller, President of Governor Pico Mansion Society and SDDGP Daraline Busch, NDGW. Back row: Grace Mary Roche, President of Whittier Parlor; Philomena Wooster, President of East Los Angeles Parlor; Betty Summerhays, East Los Angeles; Nina Littlefield, Past President of Pio Pico Mansion Society; Vivian Shaw and Castenia Cripe, both of East Los Angeles Parlor.

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Greetings from Irma M. Caton



Dates to remember during the month of May:

May 5 through May 9 — Native Daughters Civic Week
May 11 — Mothers' Day
May 30 — Memorial Day

Appropriate programs should be planned in your Parlors at the meeting nearest these dates.

It was my privilege and pleasure to travel with Rhoda Roelling, our Grand Inside Sentinel, up and down our State of California during the month of March — from Ukiah up

to Fortuna, down to Santa Barbara, back to Watsonville, then over to Turlock, Fresno, Avenal, Visalia, Santa Paula and to Whittier and home to Oakland via San Luis Obispo. All of the meetings were most outstanding and my thanks to the members for bringing "sunshine" into the meetings when it was so stormy outside.

Both Rhoda and I marvelled at the fields of lupin, wild lilac, our California poppies and many other wild flowers springing up through the green carpets of fertile land; the newly plowed fields and the snow capped mountains in the distance. All very inspiring to one who has not leisurely travelled our State at this particular time of the year. Words to describe the beauty of California as we saw it, might be "fabulous, out-of-this-world, magnificent-beautiful," but you must see it to really appreciate this State we were born in and call Home.

Yes, there was much rain and also sunshine. Sometimes it was almost impossible for members to get to the meetings; the creeks, streams and rivers overflowed, but many "good sturdy pioneers" found ways of overcoming these obstacles, and as the saying goes "neither rain, sleet nor snow" could prevent them from attending their Native Daughter meetings.

Three FIRSTS made headlines for the Native Daughters during the month of March: Alameda County, Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties, and the Southern California Counties all held their FIRST Childrens Foundation breakfasts or brunches, and from the success of these Firsts, I know that this will be an annual affair in these counties. The programs presented and the outstanding speaker at each — PGP Jewel McSweeney, State Chairman of the Foundation projects — left a favorable impression on the guests present of the outstanding work and aid we are giving to the Children of California.

Remember Grand Parlor is "just around the corner." Before leaving for Santa Barbara, choose your delegates to represent your Parlor and instruct them in the manner of voting on the various recommendations that will come before them.

Pines Preserved

California's ancient bristlecone pines are now secure from exploitation. On last April 12 the U.S. Forest Service established a restricted 27,000 acre forest area around the patriarchs in the Inyo National Forest.

The Forest Service stated that "public knowledge about the uniqueness of the trees plus an established souvenir market might lead to their destruction unless special protection was provided."

These trees are the world's oldest living things and grow at an elevation of about 11,000 feet between Westgaard Pass and Wyman Canyon in the White Mountains some 30 miles east of Bishop. Their extreme age was determined by the late Dr. Edmund Schulman, dendrochronologist of the University of Arizona, who made a field trip last August to examine them. According to a recent announcement from Washington about 100 of the trees are more than 4,000 years old.

One gnarled patriarch is declared to be more than 4,600 years of age. If so, it was a seedling when the Pyramids were built and was 200 years of age when Moses was born.

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PARLOR NEWS...

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Florence Dodson Schoneman, daughter of Rudecinda Sepulveda de Dodson for whom the parlor was named. Each year on her mother's birthday, Mrs. Schoneman presents a birthday cake to the Parlor of which she is a charter member and past president, associated with many statewide NDGW activities.

The parlor was organized by the late Carrie Lenhouse and instituted March 7, 1925 by Katherine Gloucester, Grand President NDGW that year. The Parlor's Bible was originally owned by *Esperanza* Parlor, the first Parlor established in Southern California, named in honor of *Esperanza Sepulveda de Bandini*.

Charter members present included Alice J. Parker, Kate Dodson, Margaret Krieder, Juanita Beckstead, Lillian Zirkel and Gertrude Reipe. Mmes. Kreider, Zirkel, Dodson, Beckstead, Buyo, Brooke, Johnston and Pedrotti were the past presidents in attendance. Honored guest SDDGP Irene McKibbin received a gift from the membership.

Karen Horner, baton twirler; Bernice Clason, dancer and Darlene Kordich, accordionist presented the program. Ada O'Neil was chairman of the evening.

INGLEWOOD'S FIRST FLAG

The Inglewood City Council chambers were crowded with civic dignitaries, pioneers, and citizens on April 8, when *La Tijera* No. 282 NDGW, presented the City of Inglewood its first official flag.

Presentation was made by Grand Marshal NDGW Maxiène Porter, to Mayor Geo. C. England who accepted it on behalf of the city. Occasion was the beginning of the observance of the city's Golden Anniversary, it being 50 years to the day, April 8, 1908, that the city was incorporated.

This beautiful flag was designed and painted by Inez Huffman of *Toluca* No. 278, and DGP to *La Tijera*. It shows the Centinela Adobe, a historical landmark; the Centinela Springs which at one time provided Inglewood with its water supply; the first airplane to roll off the assembly line at North American Aviation Co.; and California Poppies nestling in a golden horse shoe —

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On Sunday, April 27, *La Tijera* No. 282 gave a tea honoring the pioneers of Inglewood and the new citizens of the Centinela Valley. This was a delightful affair held at the beautiful Centinela Adobe, one of several to be given by the Parlor during Inglewood's Golden Anniversary Year.

ACTIVITIES IN SANTA BARBARA

The Childrens Foundation NDGW is \$400 richer because of the luncheon sponsored by District 33 Santa Barbara and Ventura counties at the El Encanto Hotel, Santa Barbara. The luncheon honored Grand President Irma M. Caton and was arranged for by Grand Vice President Eileen Dismuke assisted by Grand Organist Mildred Kearney and the Supervising District Deputy Grand Presidents and Deputy Grand Presidents of the district.

SDDGP Amelia Acres, mistress of ceremonies introduced the distinguished guests. Grand President Irma M. Caton addressed the group briefly. PGP Jewel McSweeney, chairman of the Grand Parlor Childrens Foundation Committee spoke on the aims and accomplishments of the committee. Presentation of donations included memory gifts for Sallie R. Thaler.

Prior to the official visit by Mrs. Caton to *Reina del Mar* and *Tierra de Oro* at the Native Sons Club House, Santa Barbara, the two parlors entertained Mrs. Caton and the new members at a dinner at the Mar Monte Hotel. Fifty year pins were presented to Mrs. H. J. Sartwell, *Reina del Mar* member, and Mrs. C. J. Pottger, *Tierra de Oro*. Mrs. W. C. Wegener, *Tierra de Oro* received her 25 year pin. Presentations were made by Mrs. Caton.

At the joint meeting *Reina del Mar*, under the gavel of Miss Gloria de Bernardi, conducted the opening and closing exercises while *Tierra de Oro*, led by Mrs. Barbara Upton, conducted the initiation ritual. Miss Miriam Reidy sang the 'Hymn to California.'

HISTORICAL MANSION VISITED

Grand President Irma M. Caton, NDGW and her traveling companion Grand Inside Sentinel Rhoda

Reelling were taken on a tour of the Pio Pico Historical Mansion, by Grace Mary Roche, President of *Whittier* Parlor and SDDGP Daraline Busch, Mrs. Dorothy Miller, President of Governor Pico Mansion Society, welcomed the group. Martin Cole, Curator, showed the points of interest, the progress made, and outlined the future plans. On the south side of the mansion, the garden planting is of native plants including the California poppy, official floral emblem of the Native Daughters.

Mrs. Caton is urging cooperation of other Parlors of Native Daughters in assisting the Governor Pico Mansion Society in its refurbishing program.

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PARLOR BIRTHDAY

San Fernando Mission Parlor No. 250 NDGW, celebrated its 13th birthday with a dinner party in the Cosmos Clubhouse. Of the 13 past presidents, 10 were present.

A short résumé of the work of the Parlor, its aims and ideals was given. Each past president spoke briefly on the project in which she was most active, and in this manner, each project took life from actual events and accomplishments.

Vera Gale, Chairman of the Native Daughter Home Committee gave a report on the Native Daughter Home. She wore for the occasion the same white formal which she had worn at her installation as Charter President of the Parlor in 1945.

Dinner chairman was Unavine Nicholson assisted by Marian and Audry Purdy, Louise Penney and Mae Peterson. Revealing secret sisters closed the happy evening.

PARLOR PARTY

James Lick No. 220, NDGW, enjoyed an Easter party. Winifred Loomis and her committee served delicious refreshments. Jaredna Johnson had charge of the fun and prizes.

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PRESIDIO PLANS RECEPTION

Members of *Presidio* No. 148 NDGW are planning a reception honoring their Grand Trustee Alice D. Shea and DGP Lula Porter of *Guadalupe* No. 153, San Francisco on Tuesday evening, May 13, 1958 at NSCW Bldg., 414 Mason Street, St. Francis Hall, 8:00 p.m. *Presidio* also extends an invitation to any member of the NDGW who happens to be in San Francisco to come up and visit with them.



MISSION PARLOR

Mission Parlor No. 227, San Francisco carried out the Easter theme. Zelma Buckholz, social chairman and her committee decorated the tables with "nests" filled with candy bunnies and eggs. Stuffed eggs, cake and sandwiches were served.

SAN FRANCISCO VISIT

Grand President Irma M. Caton made her official visit to *Dolores, Castro* and *Mission* Parlors on April 9, at the NDGW Home, San Francisco. A large group were in attendance to greet the State President. PGP Evelyn Carlson was general chairman of the affair.

MEMBER HONORED

A few members of *James Lick* Parlor paid a surprise visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bishop. The occasion was the couple's 50th wedding anniversary and also Mrs. Bishop's 50th anniversary as a NDGW member. Jaredna Johnson, recording secretary of *James Lick* Parlor and a close friend of the honoree, presented a gold pin for 50 years of membership in the Order and to Mr. Bishop, a gold heart watch chain charm as gifts from the Parlor. Mr. Bishop retired in 1949 after spending over 30 years as gripman for the cable cars.

DEPUTY GRAND PRESIDENTS

Deputy Grand Presidents of San Francisco County will hold their annual luncheon honoring the Grand President, Irma M. Caton. The affair will be held the first Saturday in June. Plans are now being made.

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The ballroom of the Beverly Hilton Hotel became a tropical paradise when the 42 Parlors in the southern area of the state staged their first brunchon for the benefit of the Childrens Foundation. Approximately 350 attended the affair. Tropical fruits and flowers formed the beautiful table decorations.

General chairman Hazel Hanson was assisted by Ann Barton, Maxiene Porter and Beatrice Hite. Others assisting were Peggy Wilkey, secretary; Evelyn Wison, decorations; Milda La Berge, hostesses; Virginia Glendon, program; Inez Huffman, publicity and Ruth Payne, reservations.

PGP Jewell McSweeney spoke on the activities of the Foundation. Parlor representatives presented checks to Miss McSweeney to further the work of the Childrens Foundation. On the program also was Suzanne Lloyd, star of the "Oklahoma" London Company, who sang several numbers.

Plans are already under way for the Brunchon to be held next year.

MANSION SOCIETY POT LUCK

The Governor Pico Mansion Society will have a potluck dinner preceding the meeting June 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the patio of Curator Martin Cole, 6003 Pioneer Blvd., (corner of Whittier and Pioneer Blvds.) Whittier.

Those attending are asked to bring their own service and 50c donation. Tea and coffee will be furnished. All members and interested friends are invited to attend.

DEPUTIES HONORED

An Easter party honoring SDDGP Senaida Sullivan of *Beverly Hills* No. 259 NDGW, and DGP Mildred Dittmar of *La Tijera* No. 282 NDGW was given by *Verdugo* Parlor No.

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240 on April 9. A book review on early California by Adele Kellogg preceded the meeting, presided over by Mrs. Vance Miller.

The unusual decorations were planned by Mmes. Ben Young and John Tell. Prizes were given for the prettiest, funniest and most unusual hats decorated with fresh flowers.

Mesdames Hernandez, Kale, Gorton and Vernon and Miss Thelma Faye served the refreshments.

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OFFICIAL VISIT

Grand President Irma M. Caton was graciously entertained by *Copa de Oro* No. 105 and *San Juan Bautista* No. 179, at Hollister. A tasty smorgasbord at which 123 were seated preceded the meeting.

San Juan Bautista conducted the opening and closing ceremonies. *Copa de Oro* initiated 5 into the home Parlor and 3 into *San Juan Bautista*. Complimenting the guest of honor, an Oakland realtor, the theme of the occasion was "The Good Earth of San Benito County." As an invitation to her to make her home in Hollister, "Copa de Oro Realty Co." presented her with a miniature house and lot, the garden of which was paved with silver coins. *San Juan Bautista's* gift was a picture of its cherished Mission. The escorts carried lovely blue and gold hand bouquets.

At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served at a prettily appointed table centered with a bowl of blue and gold blossoms flanked by silver candelabra.

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DISTRICT MEETING

Deputy Grand Presidents of District 12, NDGW met in the home of SDDGP Matilda Pappas, Vallejo. The district meeting will be held the evening of May 14 in the Vallejo Women's Club House with Vallejo

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Deputies represented will include SDDGP Matilda Pappas; Audelle Clark, deputy to *Calistoga* No. 245 and Juliet Bliss, deputy to *La Junta* No. 203 of St. Helena, all of *Vallejo* Parlor; Aileen Hanna, deputy to *Clear Lake* No. 135 of Middletown; Annette Caiocca, deputy to *George C. Yount* No. 322 of Yountville; Emma Parmisari, deputy to *Eschol* No. 16 of Napa and Alice D. Shea Grand Trustee and deputy to *Benicia* No. 287. An interesting meeting, potluck dinner and program has been planned.

LUGONIA HONORS ORGANIST

Eighty-two persons were present when Lugonia No. 241 NDGW, San Bernardino, honored one of its members, Bertha Heap, Past Grand Organist of the Order with her 25 year membership pin. The meeting was conducted by President Iris DuSan. Courtesy officers from throughout Southern California were present, introduced and presented with small cups inscribed with "The World's Greatest Daughter."

Parlors represented were: *Conchita* No. 294, *Grace* No. 242, *Rancho San Jose* No. 307, *San Diego* No. 208, *Jurupa* No. 296, *Pasadena* No. 290, *Rudecinda* No. 230, *San Gabriel Valley* No. 281, *Santa Ana* No. 235, *La Tijera* No. 282, *Las Flores Del Mar* No. 301 and *Ontario* No. 251.

The honoree was presented with a white orchid and re-initiated into the Parlor with the same ceremony used 25 years ago. Charter members and past presidents participating included Mesdames Benmis, English, Leffin, Bliss, Harris, McIntosh, Giloy,

Meyer, Knuckey, Gregory, Jones and Churchill.

Florence Dodson Schoneman, Past Grand Trustee and "mother" of Lugonia was a special guest, as was also Emily Welch of San Diego, Past Grand Trustee; DGP Marion Orr, Santa Ana and District Supervisor Floretta Banks of Riverside.

Chairman of the evening was Ivy Carr assisted by Rena Churchill, Ruby Meadows, Mildred Meyer and the officers of the Order. Refreshments were served at a beautifully appointed table.

HARD TIME PARTY

East Los Angeles No. 266 NDGW will have a hard time party at the home of Genevieve Bryant, 512 Rosemarie Drive, Arcadia, on June 7.

Refreshments start at 6:30 p.m. Donation will be \$1. Members and friends are invited to attend. Bring own cup and silverware.

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Many priests have succeeded Father Dalton. During most of the years Mass was celebrated only once a month, the mission fathers traveling from one mission to another and at great odds. It is still a mission parish consisting of Sierra City, Downieville, Alleghany, North San Juan, Challenge and Cherokee.

It was not until about 17 years ago, when Father Gabrielli was transferred to the Mission Parish that Downieville was re-established as a parish with Mass every Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation. At present three Masses are offered each Sunday, one at Downieville and the other two rotating in the other mission churches. The present pastor is Father Hugh Bannion. While we cannot call our priests today Missionaries in the same sense as the padres of the early days, they still cover the same trails, only at a faster speed with better service.

We are proud of our little church that stands on the hill and the first Church to be named "The Immaculate Conception" after our Blessed Mother. We are also proud of the missionary fathers who paved the way for us spiritually, and like one old timer said, "They are like the faithful old Yuba; they gave us of their bounty, for their hearts were hearts of gold!"

In one of the recent issues of the *California Herald* there was an article about our Methodist church of which we are equally proud. Both churches have a little niche in the hearts of all our older residents with fond memories for Catholics and Protestants alike. To the tourist they have an appeal in the historic sense — they both belong to Downieville.

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BENEDICION . . .

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In addition to some worthwhile articles on the pioneers, which include some interesting old photographs, there are several items of contemporary interest including stories about National 4-H Club Winner Annie Guitierrez, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Momita and Congressman Dalip Saund.

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and were combined for the rest of
the journey.

The first eastbound mail left San
Diego August 9, 1857, and the second
on August 24.

The first mail to complete the entire
journey, piloted by James Ma-
son, arrived in San Diego August 31,
1857, and the little village celebrated
as it never before had done. The old
Spanish cannon was too decrepit to
fire safely, so the mail was greeted
with an anvil salute, a popular noise
making device of the early days.
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tween two blacksmith's anvils, and
touched off with a long red hot
poker. On this occasion, it is said
that the anvils were fired a hundred
times.

As the first mails neared Califor-
nia, Birch sailed from San Francisco
for New York on August 20, 1857,
taking the Panama route. He sought
further government contracts, in
competition with John Butterfield
and the Wells Fargo interests. Cross-
ing the Isthmus of Panama, he em-
barked on the old side-wheel steamer
Central America for New York City;
but during a heavy storm at sea, off
Cape Hatteras, the ship sank on
September 12, 1857, carrying with it
some 400 passengers, including
Birch, and a vast wealth of Califor-
nia gold dust.

It took a long time for the news of
the disaster to reach California, and
in the meantime the mules and
stages made many trips between San
Antonio and San Diego. But finan-
cially, the line was a complete fail-
ure. In March, 1858, Julia, widow of
James E. Birch, sold the mail con-
tract to G. H. Giddings & Co. and in
September, 1858, the Government
cut the route to the 831 miles be-
tween San Antonio and El Paso.
Some semblance of service was still
made, but eventually all service was
discontinued west of El Paso, so far
as the Birch line was concerned. The
Yuma to San Diego end of the route
was declared "entirely useless" by the
Postmaster General.

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through Tucson, Arizona, to Fort Yuma on the Colorado River, north of the present line of the Southern Pacific Railway. Stops were made every 10 to 20 miles to change mules, and at night the drivers and passengers, if any, camped in the open, except where they could lodge with early settlers in the almost unsettled wide open spaces.

From Fort Yuma, the mail route struck across the desert westward, dipping into Baja California once or twice, as it followed one of the routes frequently taken by the gold seekers. From a point about where Calexico-Mexicali are today, the route was toward the high mountains visible in the distance to the west, and a welcome retreat was Vallecito with its green trees, grass and water. A "soddy" had been built by James R. Lassator, Sr., at the Vallecito oasis, in the early 50's, and the Lassator family had welcomed many drought-stricken travelers there before the mail stage line was started. Lassator also went into the Cuyamaca Mountains and brought down hay for the nearly exhausted mules and horses of many overland cavalcaades. Here, his son, James R. Lassator, Jr., was born in 1854. Later he built a substantial house in the mountains, the site being known for years as Lassator's Green Valley ranch.

From Lassator's, the trail ran southwestward through Green Valley, to Guatay Valley, the Sandoval and Williams ranches, thence to La Canada de Los Coches Rancho, at the eastern end of the El Cajon Valley. This rancho, a land grant in 1843, had been used by the Catholic Church as a hog ranch, and there were no permanent buildings on it until 1859, when Jesse Julian Ames built a large adobe. From Los Coches, the road, or trail, ran down the San Diego River to the Old Mission, thence to Old Town, San Diego. The total distance from San Antonio to San Diego was figured at 1,475 miles.

The route from Vallecito to San Diego was substantially one of the trails that had been used for centuries

by the desert and mountain Indians on their journeys to the Coast. The route was also used by Governor Pedro Fages in 1782, when he traveled from San Diego to the desert.

Few landmarks of the original mail line are standing today. All evidences of the old Lassator home are gone. Vallecitos has been completely restored. Old Town, San Diego, still cherishes a few crumbling buildings that were standing when Mason galloped into town a century ago.

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AT THE BAR...

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On another occasion a justice of the peace called the District Attorney's office and asked that a deputy be sent over immediately. Everyone was busy at the time and as soon as one of the men could be relieved he phoned to the judge and stated he would be with him soon. The "J.P." replied, "I was just going to call you. We put the Defendant on the witness stand and sweated the truth out of him. You won't have to come down. He's just plead guilty!"

Whatever may have been the shortcomings of the "J.P." in a criminal case there was obviously much to be desired when he presided in a civil matter. Litigants were mainly of two types: those who had little money and couldn't afford the luxury of an appeal, and those who had ample means, but could not afford to spend the time in court.

Fortunately, the type of "J.P." herein described is fast disappearing from the California judiciary.

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rillo, who is a descendant of the first provincial governor of California and the great grand nephew of Maria Francisca Benicia Carrillo Vallejo after whom the city of Benicia is named.

Following the dedication ceremonies the two houses of the Legislature met in their respective chambers of the old capitol. Among those accorded the privilege of the Senate Floor were Mrs. Alice D. Shea, Grand Trustee of the Native Daughters; and Larry J. Lafleur, Grand President of the Native Sons, his Grand First Vice President Raymond H. Shone, Grand Third Vice President Leo M. Travers, Grand Trustee Clarence A. Rossi, Grand Inside Sentinel Frank S. Christy, and Past Grand President Peter T. Conmy.

A holiday spirit pervaded the sessions of both houses whose members were clad in pioneer costumes. After adopting a serious resolution commending Senator Luther E. Gibson for his foresight in providing for the restoration of the old capitol the fun began by Gibson himself introducing a resolution moving the capital back to Benicia. The measure was enthusiastically adopted.

The Assembly convened in a similar rollicking vein. According to the minutes "Mr. Coolidge moved that the Speaker appoint a Select Committee to find out if the Senate is in session . . . Mr. McCollister arose to the following point of order: That nobody cares whether or not the Senate is in session." Assemblyman Backstrand complained that there

were no "ash trays in the Assembly Chamber and only one brass gobboon." After other humorous parliamentary maneuvers the Assembly met with the Senate in Joint Convention where the assembled groups were addressed by Governor Goodwin J. Knight. Following his speech each house again resumed deliberations.

The Senate turned the clock back to March 15, 1853, and adopted three resolutions: (1) "that none other than a statesman properly and affectionately known as 'Butch' [Harold J. Powers] shall ever be eligible to hold the high office of Lieutenant Governor of the State of California"; (2) that Senator Williams prepare a Mother's Day resolution effectively settling all water problems of the State; and (3) that public schools be established which shall teach English as well as Spanish.

Both branches of the Legislature had convened at 11 in the morning. The Assembly adjourned at 12:35 P.M. The Senate was a bit slower as it did not finish its work until 1:05 P.M.

The real spirit of the entire affair was best expressed by the following telegram that President Eisenhower sent to the celebration committee: "I am pleased to know that the citizens of Benicia, California, are planning a celebration with the dedication of a former State Capitol there as a historic monument. Today, when the shadows of conflict and unrest so often darken the world, such a symbol of constructive faith in the endurance of our democratic ideals and representative Government is deeply satisfying. It is a clear message of confidence in the future of our way of life for men of good will everywhere."

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JUNE IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

June 3, 1770—Father Junipero Serra founded Misión San Carlos de Monterey. This was the second mission to be established in Alta California.

June 14, 1846—The Bear flag, standard of the "California Republic" was raised over the Plaza at Sonoma.

June 9, 1851—The first Vigilance Committee of San Francisco was formed with Sam Brannan as president of the executive committee.

June 17, 1874—Yosemite Valley was first opened to travel by wheeled vehicles when the toll road was completed by the Coulterville and Yosemite Turnpike Company.

June 12, 1903—An experimental station was opened at Coachella for the introduction of date culture in the desert sections of California.

June 16, 1908—Los Angeles had the first taxicab service west of Chicago. Ten cabs were put into operation. Four people could ride from any of the leading hotels to the theatre for 30c.

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Through the years I have met many justices of the peace. One of the most remarkable of these jurists was Judge Wood of East Los Angeles.

I made his acquaintance when I was retained to defend a man for child stealing. My client freely admitted the facts. Moreover he declared, "I'd do it again."

He explained that a friend of his had been divorced and that the wife had been granted custody of the daughter. The girl had written to her father stating that moral conditions in the home had become intolerable and begged that he come and take her away. The father wrote to my client, enclosing a ticket and a sum of money, and asking him to get the girl on a bus and give her the money for necessary expenses for the trip back East.

"I contacted the girl," stated my client, "and got her on a bus. She is now safely home with her father. I'm glad I did it for I owed this man a great debt of gratitude. Years ago my mother was seriously sick with pneumonia and my friend walked five miles through a blizzard to get a doctor. I swore that if I could ever repay him for what he did I would do so. This was my opportunity to return the favor. That's why I'm glad I did it."

My client had been repaid for his pains by being arrested on a child stealing charge preferred by the girl's mother. I appeared in Judge Wood's court for the preliminary hearing. Shortly after I sat down in the court room the judge came to the door of his chambers and beckoned me to come in. I entered his office and sat down.

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Mission Santa Barbara

THE BEAUTIFUL MISSION Santa Barbara stands as a magnificent and impressive monument to California's historic pioneer era. Although Viceroy Martin de Mayorga had, on December 7, 1780, spoken of "the three Missions which are to be established in California under the titles of Santa Barbara, Purisima, Concepcion and San Buenaventura" the "Queen of the Missions" was not founded until six years later.

When the presidial pueblo of Santa Barbara was established in 1782 by Governor Felipe de Neve, Father Junipero Serra, first president of the California Missions, was present to dedicate the site of the new

town. His hopes to found a mission in the locality were thwarted by the governor who informed him that his plans could not be commenced until the presidio had been completed. On various pretexts, delay followed delay.

Ultimately Neve was transferred to Mexico. His successor, Pedro Fages, with whom Serra had considerable trouble, wrote to the father president on April 1, 1784, stating, "Being informed by your official note of December 5, 1783, regarding the advantages which the place called Montecito, a short distance from the presidio of Santa Barbara enjoys for establishing the Mission of the same name, I consent that it

be selected in such a way, however, as not to be a disgust to the gentile Indians, whom Your Honor will take care to have treated with the greatest sweetness and kindness, so that this establishment may not be repugnant to them, carefully avoiding as much as possible whatever might arouse in them the least excuse for ill feeling."

Fages' letter was insulting for he was well acquainted with Serra's temperament to know that such admonitions were unnecessary. Actually the new governor was merely quoting the words of Neve, now Commandante General.

Serra's answer was characteristically calm. He replied, "With due appreciation I received the letter of Your Honor, which I have just finished reading and in which it pleases you to communicate the estimable news that the Commandante General, whose cautionary remarks I appreciate, at last agrees that a Mission be established on the site of the Channel of Santa Barbara called Montecito, a short distance from that presidio under the conditions which he points out to Your Honor. . . . To this I reply that it is succinctly known to Your Honor and to every one else that I desire this and other Missions to be founded for the propagation of our holy Faith. How many souls from Montecito and from other places among the pagans in whose midst we live, would now be in heaven already, if my proposals had been followed?"

Serra died on August 28, 1784, and therefore never saw the founding of the mission that he had sought so long to establish. He was succeeded by the forceful administrator, Fermín Francisco de Lasuén who one

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Santa Barbara

"Queen of the Missions"

by Dr. Leo J. Fris

Ferndale



Seth Shaw Home in Ferndale

FERNDALE, the most westerly town in the United States, was so named over a century ago because of the luxuriant growth of ferns in the valley. It may have only 1700 population and be located 5 miles off 101 Highway, 279 miles north of San Francisco, but the town's modern attitude belies its gabled, gingerbread homes and sleepy atmosphere.

Ferndale has first class streets, a good police department and excellent schools. It is the site of Humboldt County Fair and recently a Naval installation has been placed at Centerville Beach.

The place was discovered in the summer of 1852 by a small group of men led by Seth Shaw. In the party were Shaw's brother, S. W. Shaw, Willard Allen, Seth Kinman, Joseph Russ and a couple of others. After crossing the Eel and Salt Rivers in an Indian dug out, the men made their way through the heavy giant ferns and underbrush to a creek later called Francis Creek. From there they trudged over to what is now known as Wild Cat road.

Then the work of clearing a place and building a cabin was begun. This Seth Shaw cabin was Fern-

dale's first residence. One by one the men drifted on to other areas, but Shaw and his brother remained, anxious to learn the quality of the land. In four days they cleared three acres of ferns.

As the news reached Table Bluff other settlers began moving to the Ferndale. Francis Francis, a native of Wales, England, living in Union Town (now Arcata) moved his family to the new settlement and purchased the Shaw property. The

Francis family was a hearty one—10 children in all. To this family was born Ferndale's first white child, a girl named Clara. Clara (Mrs. George Brice) and her sister Amelia (Mrs. Robert Roberts) were charter members of *Oneonta* Parlor NDGW.

In the meantime Seth Shaw had been working constantly on his new home "Fern-Dale." In 1856 the home was completed. It was Ferndale's first and still stands in elegant Victorian antiquity, patterned after the "House of the Seven Gables." It is occupied by members of the Shaw family and furnished with much of the original furniture. This home has served as Ferndale's first Post Office and also the first Justice Court. (Shaw was Ferndale's first judge.) Since preachers were scarce Shaw also was the town's first "marrying-man."

Ferndale's first church was the Methodist church built in the early 1800's. The Congregational church was next built. Then in 1884 the Catholic church was erected. Today, the town is proud of its seven churches.

Until June 1911 the only way for traffic to reach the 101 highway was by ferry. In that year Fernbridge,

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Past Presidents of Oneonta No. 71, NDGW. First row from left: Mmes. Titus, Rumrill, Capaul, Miller (DGP), and Smith; Second row from left: Mmes. Kegler, Shaw, Davie, Smith and Sousa; Third row from left: Mmes. Peers, Paine, Pedersen, Rathbone, Smith (SDDGP), Kausen, Casacca, Paine and Petersen.



Santa Barbara Presidio drawn by Eileen Gray from a watercolor by Russell Ruiz.

Presidio Marker to be Dedicated

by Margaret Ziesenhenn

THE SITE of the Royal Presidio of Santa Barbara, which was established April 21, 1782, will be dedicated and marked on June 18, 1958, during the Grand Parlor of the Native Daughters of the Golden West. Participating in the marking will be the California State Division of Beaches and Parks, donors of the plaque, the Grand Parlor of the Native Daughters and Native Sons of the Golden West, the Santa Barbara Historical Society, the City of Santa Barbara, and the Boy Scouts of America.

The plaque will be placed in the garden of El Cuartel, the last remaining adobe building of the original presidio headquarters, located at 122 East Canon Perdido Street, Santa Barbara, and at present the Santa Barbara headquarters of the Boy Scouts of America.

Speaker for the dedication will be Attorney Francis Price, Sr., expert in his knowledge of Santa Barbara's Spanish colonial days, and former president of the Old Spanish Days Fiesta in Santa Barbara. Also participating will be Fr. Maynard Geiger, O.F.M., historian of the Old Mission Santa Barbara and authority on the life of Fr. Junipero Serra.

Spearheading plans for the assignment of a California State Land-

mark number for the site of the Royal Presidio and the presentation of the plaque, has been Mrs. B. C. Dismuke, Grand Vice President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, of *Tierra de Oro* Parlor No. 304, who will be installed as Grand President of the Order at the closing session of Grand Parlor in June. Invitations to participate with the Native Daughters in the event, which will be the highlight of the annual Native Daughter session, were extended by Grand President Mrs. Irma M. Caton, to the City of Santa Barbara, the Santa Barbara Historical Society, Grand Parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West, and the Boy Scouts of America.

Coinciding with the event will be the visit of Raymond B. Shone, incoming Grand President NSGW, and his corps of grand officers who will pay a visit to their sister order during its convention. For the occasion greetings will be extended by Mr. Shone for the Native Sons; by Mayor Floyd O. Bohnett for the City of Santa Barbara; by Thos. J. McDermott, president, for the Santa Barbara Historical Society, and by Alvin Grodrian, executive secretary of the Mission Council, for the Boy Scouts of America.

Also taking part in the program

will be Joseph R. Knowland, publisher of the *Oakland Tribune* and past grand president of the Native Sons, who, as chairman of the California State Division of Beaches and Parks, will make the presentation of the plaque commemorating the establishment of the Presidio. Representing the State Division of Beaches and Parks will be Dr. Aubrey Neasham, historian of that department. Miss Pearl Chase, member of the Honor Roll of Grand Parlor of the Native Daughters, vice president of the California Conservation Council, and proponent of the restoration of the Royal Presidio Site, will also participate in the plaque dedication, as will descendants of the early Spanish families of Santa Barbara, including Santa Barbara News-Press publisher Thos. M. Storke and his son, Charles A. Storke II, whose ancestor was Capt. José Francisco de Ortega.

The Santa Barbara presidio was founded in 1782 by Gov. Felipe de Neve and Captain José Francisco Ortega who were accompanied by Fray Junipero Serra who dedicated the site of the first permanent structure of Western civilization in Santa Barbara. According to the mission historian, the late Fr. Zephyrin Engelhardt, O.F.M., in his "The Franciscans in California," the Royal Presidio was located on an elevation of land near a large settlement of Indians who were found to be more friendly than had been anticipated. Oak timber was felled for the chapel, priest's house, storehouse, barracks, and palisade enclosure, with the Indians helping in exchange for clothing.

Fr. Serra, who supposed the Santa Barbara Mission would be founded simultaneously with the Royal Presidio, departed for Monterey in disappointment when he discovered that Gov. Neve had no intention of founding the mission at that time and it was not until two years after Fr. Serra's death that the Santa Barbara Mission was founded on December 4, 1786. Although the military officials wanted the mission erected near the Presidio, the church officials selected a site near the plentiful water supply of Mission Creek and far enough away to avoid the dubious influence of the soldiers.

The Presidio square was 60 varas

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REINA DEL MAR THROUGH THE YEARS



Parlor members pose on portico of Hill-Carillo adobe.

THROUGH THE YEARS, *Reina del Mar* members enjoy relaxing and enjoy remembering various activities and happenings.

On April 20, 1901, our late Past Grand President Cora (Mrs. F. J.) Sifford and a Miss McConical of Ventura, and others assisting, instituted *Reina del Mar* Parlor No. 126 in Santa Barbara. In so doing, there were many hardships to combat, as transportation from Ventura to Santa Barbara was slow. Inspired by continued perseverance, integrity and guidance, their efforts were realized and *Reina del Mar* Queen of the Sea) was so named by our beloved PGP Cora Sifford, and became a Parlor with twenty members, of whom there are three remaining Charter members, namely, Soledad (Mrs. F. J.) Birabent; Margaret (Mrs. J. A.) Callis and Inga (Mrs. A. W.) Conover.

In 1910, Grand Parlor NDGW was held in Santa Barbara.

In 1917, the Milk Fund was started to provide milk for underprivileged children and elderly people who could not afford it. Money was raised each year until the project was taken over by the Community Chest.

In 1924 the first Old Spanish Days observance was held during the month of August. This year, *Reina del Mar* was privileged to honor descendants of old Spanish families at the first Pre-Fiesta Tea sponsored by the Parlor. In recognition of serv-

ices rendered, *Reina del Mar* was given the choice of the woman selected to portray Saint Barbara in the annual Fiestas. Decoration of a Saint Barbara float that would depict the legend also was entrusted to the Parlor. Formal presentation of Saint Barbara was arranged to be part of the Fiesta opening ceremony at the Old Mission. The Parlor was given an assignment by the Old Mission authorities, in recommendation of the Fiesta Directorate, to arrange a reception for the City's guests in the corridors and adjoining rooms of the historic Mission.

In 1933, with a typical California sun casting its warm rays over the rain-soaked patio of the old Santa Ines Mission, scores of residents from the central coast district gathered at the "Mission of the Passes" in response to a widespread plea made by *Reina del Mar* No. 126.

The celebration launched a move to complete the restoration of Mission Santa Ines started by *Reina del Mar* in 1924, by our late Past Grand President Anna E. McAughiey who acknowledged the past efforts and accomplishments of many who were interested in the restoration of the mission. Among those introduced for the afternoon were Mrs. Fred Acres, then President of *Reina del Mar*, Mrs. George McCrea, chairman of the Historical Committee and Miss Edna Sharpe, who was president at the time of the initial restoration move in 1924. A \$3,500 debt which

had hung over the mission like a cloud for more than ten years was entirely wiped out by the activities of *Reina del Mar* Parlor No. 126 and friendly contributions.

In 1935 the Annie L. Adair Scholarship Fund was started under the sponsorship of *Reina del Mar* Parlor.

In 1938 Grand Parlor was held in Santa Barbara.

In 1945, *Reina del Mar* had active participation in the restoration of the Purisima Mission at Lompoc, California.

In 1949, in conformity with Grand Parlor laws, *Reina del Mar's* formal observance of Admission Day was given special significance at the century mark of California's statehood by placement of a bronze marker on the remaining masonry of California's first grist mill, built near the Santa Ines Mission by José Chapman in 1820. The mill, built in picturesque Santa Ines Valley in a period when it provided the center of living for pioneers of that section, holds an important place in the history of the region.

Particularly significant in the marking of this historic mill is the fact that several direct descendants of José Chapman are members of *Reina del Mar* Parlor, namely, Mrs. Lydia Whitney Brady and Mrs. Dolores Brady Bowman.

This plaque dedication, which was placed in cooperation with the California Centennial Commission, marked the first time the Commission had gone into the open countryside for such an event, and noted the only marking to take place on Admission Day.

In 1951, always conscious of the preservation of landmarks, *Reina del Mar* took the occasion of Past Grand President Anna T. Schiebush's offi-

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Tierra de Oro members at Carpinteria Pioneer Tea.

HISTORY OF TIERRA DE ORO

T IERRA DE ORO Parlor No. 304, Santa Barbara, which was organized by Grand Vice President Eileen Dismuke, was instituted on December 10, 1949, with Grand President Henrietta Toothaker presiding as installing officer. Mrs. Lois Lueking was the charter president. Mrs. Barbara Upton is this year's president.

Organized at a time when the Santa Barbara Mission, the "Queen of the Missions" was badly in need of repair, *Tierra de Oro's* efforts during its first several years were directed toward raising funds for the reconstruction project. Two silver teas were held; one in Serra Hall at the Old Mission, and the other at the home of Mrs. Sam Stanwood in Hope Ranch, which resulted in sizeable amounts being given to the mission officials. When an ample grant from the Fleischmann Foundation financed completion of the mission reconstruction, *Tierra de Oro's* interest was directed toward Grand Parlor Mission Restoration projects.

Parlor projects for the Childrens Foundation and Veterans Welfare, Americanism and Conservation, have proved satisfying outlets for the energies of the members. At least four California Bear Flags have been presented each year to schools, government, installations, or places of business whose historical significance have been worthy of attention.

After the disastrous Refugio fire in the Santa Ynez Mountains in 1955,

Tierra de Oro held a street campaign to raise money to reseed the denuded roadsides and mountain slopes with California poppy seed. Funds to purchase 100 pounds of the seed were raised and for two years, after the early rains, the parlor members made treks into the burned area and broadcast the seed which has reestablished the California state flower again along Highway 101, San Marcos and Refugio Roads, and other mountain areas.

Tree plantings by *Tierra de Oro* have marked Conservation Week each year. Trees have been planted in the recreation area of Cuchuma County Park in Alameda Park, De la Guerra Plaza, Mesa Park, at the Veterans Memorial Building in Carpinteria, at Adams School and at the new County Park in Carpinteria.

Pioneer Roster activity inspired the first Carpinteria Pioneers Tea three years ago and over 200 attended this year's event. For several years *Tierra de Oro* has been runner-up for top honors in the number of pioneers registered for Grand Parlor pioneer roster.

History and landmark activities of *Tierra de Oro* included futile attempts to preserve the historic Packard Adobe which was razed last year. The placing of a plaque to mark the site of the first protestant church in Santa Barbara at the corner of Santa Barbara and Ortega Streets, where the First Congregational Church had their first build-

ing, has inspired members to plan future markings.

Members have participated in civic activities, Community Chest and Red Cross drives, cooperated in Christmas Cheer activities, safety campaigns, and welfare planning.

Sponsorship of a club for foreign students has for two years proved an interesting project. About fifty members of the Foreign Students Club of Santa Barbara meet at the home of Mrs. L. C. Miles, SDDGP for District 30, twice a month. Native Daughters plan a Christmas party and a Spring event for the young students who come from all parts of the world to study at the Santa Barbara High School, Brooks Institute of Photography, Westmont College, Santa Barbara Junior College, and the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Participation by Santa Barbara Junior College students in the Grand Parlor Junior College Public Speaking Contest is also a project of *Tierra de Oro* members.

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STORY OF POINSETTIA PARLOR

P OINSETTIA PARLOR NO. 318, Native Daughters of the Golden West, organized by Eileen Dismuke, Grand Trustee, was instituted on September 24, 1955 in Ventura, California, by Grand President Norma Hodson, assisted by Grand Secretary Sallie R. Thaler, Grand Marshall Irma Caton, Grand Trustees Eileen Dismuke and Edna Williams, Grand Inside Sentinel Alice Shea, Past Grand Presidents Jewel McSweeney, Claire Lindsey and Anne C. Thuesen. Fifty-nine charter members were initiated by the Deputy Grand Presidents and Officers of the District. Edythe Rosenberger was installed charter president. Margery Abern, *Las Tres Vistas* No. 302, Oxnard, was appointed as the first Deputy Grand President to *Poinsettia* Parlor.

Many gifts were received by the Parlor. The Holy Bible was presented by Rafaelita Philbrick, *Las Tres Vistas* No. 302, Oxnard. Grand

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GRAND PARLOR NATIVE DAUGHTERS SANTA BARBARA

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

- 1:00 p.m. Grand Officers Meeting (Mar Monte Hotel)
7:00 p.m. Grand Officers Dinner (El Encanto Hotel)

SUNDAY, JUNE 15

- 1:00-5:00 p.m. Registration (National Guard Armory, 700 East Canon Perdido Street)
8:30 p.m. Formal Reception honoring Mrs. Irma M. Caton and her Grand Officers at the National Guard Armory. Hostesses: Members of Ventura County Parlor

MONDAY, JUNE 16

ALL SESSIONS TO BE HELD AT THE NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY
700 East Canon Perdido Street

- 9:30 a.m. Formal Opening of Grand Parlor
Escort of Grand President Irma M. Caton and Grand Officers
Escort of Past Grand Presidents
Welcome to City by Hon. Floyd O. Bohnett, Mayor of Santa Barbara
Report of Credentials Committee
Report of Grand President
Other Reports and Business
Memorial Ceremony
Adjournment
- 1:45 p.m. Afternoon Session—Grand Parlor
Reports and Business
Adjournment
- 8:15 p.m. Exemplification of the Ritual—Members of *Santa Maria* Parlor

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

- 8:45 a.m. Final Report of Credentials Committee
Nomination—Grand Officers
Other Reports and Business
Adjournment
- 1:45 p.m. Election of Grand Officers
- 3:00 p.m. Public Speaking Contest
Other Reports and Business
Adjournment



GREETINGS FROM IRMA M. CATON GRAND PRESIDENT

"JUNE"—To many the month of June means the beginning of vacations, but to a Grand President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, it means the end of her term as the presiding officer of our Order.

How does one say goodbye to friends they have just made and friendships renewed? I feel this question has been asked by each Grand President when her year is over, knowing the success or failure of her term depended upon the membership of the Subordinate Parlor. My memories of this past year will always be most pleasant, and I sincerely hope I have given something to our Order, and that the members have enjoyed my visits. Each time I have visited the Parlor and listened to our ritualistic work, seeing new members initiated into our Order. I have been so very proud of my fraternal membership.

As this 71st year of our Order comes to a close and I look forward to the 72nd Grand Parlor at Santa Barbara, it is with sincere thanks and deep appreciation to each member of our Order for their wonderful friendship, never to be forgotten, and especially for all courtesies extended to me and my travelling companions. I know we are all looking forward to next year when Grand Vice President Eileen Dismuke of

Santa Barbara is installed as our "Worthy Grand President." We who have been on the Board of Grand Officers know of her graciousness and understanding and wish her a most happy year.

My sincere thanks to Larry Lafleur, Grand President of the Native Sons of the Golden West and his Grand Officers for the many courtesies shown to me and for their have worked on together.

cooperation at the joint affairs we

To my Board of Grand Officers, our Past Grand Presidents, Supervising and Deputy Grand Presidents goes my grateful thanks for your friendship, cooperation and attendance at my visits to the Subordinate Parlor.

To the members of my Parlor, *Argonaut* No. 166, my sincere thanks for their faith in me, their assistance and particularly their love and

PROGRAM

OF THE GOLDEN WEST

JUNE 14-19, 1958

7:00 p.m. Past Grand Presidents Dinner (El Encanto Hotel)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

8:45 a.m. Business Session
Reports
Adjournment

1:45 p.m. Reports

2:30 p.m. Annual Visitation of Grand Officers, NSGW and their guests

3:30 p.m. Program and Presentation of Plaque marking the original site of Royal Presidio of Santa Barbara, 122 East Canon Perdido Street
Presentation of American and California Bear Flags

Introduction of representatives of participating groups:

Mayor Floyd O. Bohmet on behalf of the City of Santa Barbara; Irma M. Caton, Grand Parlor, Native Daughters; Raymond H. Shone, Grand Parlor, Native Sons; Thos. McDermott, President, Santa Barbara Historical Society; John Adams, President, Mission Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Presentation of Plaque—Hon. Joseph R. Knowland, Chairman, State Division of Beaches and Parks, and Past Grand President NSGW; Speaker: Francis Price, Sr., Attorney and California Historian.

Benediction—Fr. Basil Kelly, O.F.M., Old Mission Santa Barbara.

6:00 p.m. Fun Night—Barbecue at Oak Park. Hostesses: Members of *Reina del Mar* Parlor No. 126, Santa Barbara

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

8:45 a.m. Business Session
Reports
Adjournment

1:45 p.m. Business Session
Reports
Adjournment

8:30 p.m. Installation of Grand Officers. Hostesses: Members of *Tierra de Oro* Parlor No. 304, Santa Barbara



GREETINGS FROM EILEEN DISMUKE GRAND VICE PRESIDENT

To my Sisters, Native Daughters of the Golden West

Memories of our childhood days bring vividly to mind the fairy tales which captivated our imaginations and provided for us a wonderland of make-believe. Those stories invariably began with the opening phrase, "Once upon a time . . ." The story of your writer of this column could well be fashioned after the fairy tales of old, for the end of the rainbow truly has a "happy ending" for her.

My years as a young girl in Santa Barbara, my birthplace, were spiced with the tradition of our area and its great contribution to the history of California. Much of this interest was focused through participation of Native Daughters of the Golden West, whose activities for the well-being of our great State spread an aura of dignity and respect for the work of our Order. Through these good works my interest in becoming a member was fostered for, in addition to the scope of activities embodied under its banner, I realize that to belong to such an organization was a signal honor by reason of my birthright. This decision has been a constant pleasure for, in addition to the many friends it has been my pleasure to make through

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friendship during my 31 years as a member and my seven years as a Grand Officer.

My thanks to the *California Herald* for their cooperation and patience when my monthly article was "just in time" for publication. The 10th of each month came too fast, especially when I was travelling. I sincerely hope we will continue to have the *California Herald* as our official organ, as I feel we do need such a

magazine to keep our membership informed of the wonderful work our Parlors are doing over the State. I have found the articles most interesting, especially those on our California history, romance and many dedications, remembering that the California of our past "is our heritage," and the "Golden Gateway" to our future.

IRMA M. CATON
Grand President



VENTURA

The Portola Expedition came to an Indian village on the site of Mission San Buenaventura on August 14, 1769. As it was on the eve of the Feast of the Virgin Mary, Fray Juan Crespi called the place *La Asuncion de Nuestra Señora*, and noted in his diary, "I hope that such a fine site, where nothing is lacking, will become a good mission." His words were prophetic for on March 31, 1782, Father Junipero Serra raised a cross at the site of a mission which was called *San Buenaventura*.

San Buenaventura, the patron saint, born in Italy in 1221, became a member of the Order of St. Francis and a cardinal of the Roman Catholic Church. He is remembered for having established the custom of the Angelus.

A town gradually grew up around the old mission which was first incorporated in 1866 and reincorporated ten years later. Much has been written concerning the "clipping off" of part of the original name of the city. The postoffice established there on March 24, 1862, was called by the old name of *San Buena Ventura*, which was changed on February 18, 1889 to *Ventura*.

Zoeth Skinner Eldredge, the historian, who was engaged in a campaign in 1905 to restore old Spanish names to California cities, declared, "And now comes the Post Office Department, which is the most potent destroyer of all. I have spoken before

of the injury done the people of San Buenaventura. They cling to that name and use it among themselves. But they are doomed. Map-makers, from the Director of the Geological Survey to the publisher of a pocket guide following the lead of the post office, call the place Ventura, and the historic name will be lost."

SAN NICOLAS ISLAND

San Nicolas, an island about 70 miles southwest of Hueneme, belongs to Ventura County, and is part of the Channel Island group. It was given its name by the crew of Vizcaino's launch, *Tres Reyes*, on December 6, 1602, which is the feast day of St. Nicolas of Myra, a Fourth Century archbishop, patron saint of sailors, travelers and merchants. As patron saint of children St. Nicholas is directly connected with Christmas activities. The name, *Santa Claus*, is a corruption of the Dutch spelling *Sant Nicolaus*.

The history of San Nicolas Island is rather grim. In early times savage Alcuts, who hunted sea otter in the area, killed most of the Indian inhabitants. In 1835 the Franciscan padres at Santa Barbara Mission chartered a schooner to bring the remaining natives to the mainland.

Captain Charles Hubbard, who skippered the vessel, was able to anchor close to the island. When he thought he had all of the Indians aboard a mother noticed that her child was not present. A storm

sprang up and Captain Hubbard was unable to wait. In desperation the mother jumped overboard and swam to shore. Within the next 18 years three unsuccessful attempts were made to rescue matron and child. In 1853 several men were able to land and they found the mother. By signs she indicated that her child had been killed by wild dogs. She was taken to Santa Barbara Mission, christened Juana Maria. She died six weeks later, despite loving care.

At various times San Nicolas has been devoted to sheep raising. During the Boom of the Eighties some ambitious real estate operators subdivided the island. Today it is a Naval Reserve and serves as a testing range for missiles. It has the largest population of sea lions in the nation and possesses one of the few remaining herds of sea elephants.

OXNARD

Oxnard, in Ventura County, was named after Henry T. Oxnard, president of the American Sugar Beet Company, which built a beet sugar refinery at that point in December, 1897. Previously he and his brother Robert built, at Chino, the first beet sugar refinery in California.

The town was laid out in January, 1898. The Southern Pacific built a branch line from Ventura to Burbank and named the station near the refinery *Oxnard*.

CARPINTERIA

Carpinteria, in Santa Barbara County, was visited by the Portola Expedition on August 17, 1769. Miguel Constanzo, a military engineer attached to the party, recorded in his diary, "We saw before us another village or Indian town composed of thirty-two houses, and as populous as the previous ones. Men, women and children came to the camp bringing fish both fresh and roasted, eager to obtain glass beads and trinkets, which are the best money and more highly valued among them than gold and silver.

He continued, "The soldiers called this town *Pueblo de la Carpinteria* (City of the Carpenter Shop) because at this time the natives were constructing a canoe. . . . This place seemed to all of us very suitable for

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Emma Lou Humphrey, Grand President, 1909-1910

Memories of *Emma Lou Humphrey* *P. G. P.*

AT 5:40 A.M. I started from Red Bluff for Redding in order to catch the stage for Weaverville at 7 a.m. This was the banner trip from several points of view. It was the longest stage ride (53 miles), the dust the deepest ever encountered, and the stage the largest but most uncomfortable I've ever ridden in. The driver was a veritable Prince Charming. However those grand old mountains with their beautiful oaks and pines and the numerous springs of ice cold water made us forget we were tired.

We watched the moon rise over the mountain tops, some 6,350 feet high, casting weird shadows among the trees. As the silence of the night crept upon, faint strains of music from a distant miner's cabin came

to us. In this moment your Grand President was reminded of the story of Peer Gynt and of Edward Grieg's famous music which the story inspired, of the dance of Anitra, and the little mountain fairy in the hall of the mountain king. There surrounded by God's great monuments we were convinced that no scenery,

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Emma Lou Humphrey (Mrs. Emma W. Lillie) was Grand President in the year the Grand Parlor met in Santa Barbara. This story was taken by her from files of her report of her year as Grand President, 1909-1910.

not even that of the "land of the midnight sun" could excel ours.

There is pleasure in looking over old newspaper files. In copies of 1856 I read that the people of Weaverville were agitating the building of a wagon road, and the editor of the paper was excited because business men were planting trees along the sidewalks. Governor Johnson had exercised the veto power 15 or 16 times—an act unparalleled in the history of any Governor.

There was plenty of excitement as we rode through or stopped in the fascinating little towns. The favorite seat for a passenger was up on top with the driver. This guaranteed plenty of excitement, especially when the passenger was invited to drive the four or six horses. It is an experience, unusual and surely unforgettable. The driver gave instructions how to hold the reins and to let the horses do the rest. Ahead was the hotel with a big porch. At the outskirts of town, the horses went into a gallop. They were headed for hay, barley and a rest. At a full gallop they went until the porch was reached. We landed safely. The horses gave big snorts. —All was quiet, but I was scared!

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UPPER LEFT: Native Son receives award. From left: James E. Armstrong, John B. Quinn and Don A. Allen. UPPER RIGHT: Aloha presents flag. From left: Chairman Gladys I. Farley and Sister Virginia Mary. LOWER LEFT: Grand Officer honored. From left: Mmes. Beneditti, Williams, and Bredehoft. LOWER RIGHT: Mrs. George L. Curtis, fifty year member, surrounded by (seated left) Mrs. Margaret Willhoyte parlor president and grand daughter Marilyn Dolley. Standing (left) are daughters Marjorie Curtis, Dorothy Curtis, Mrs. Virgil Bullock and Mrs. Earnest Dolley.

NATIVE SON HONORED

John R. Quinn, assessor of Los Angeles County, and a member of Los Angeles Parlor No. 45 NSGW, was honored by the California Legislature with a resolution commending him on his 37 years of public service. Mr. Quinn is well known throughout the state. His deceased wife, Maudie Quinn, was a member of Californiana Parlor.

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ALOHA PRESENTS FLAG

A Bear Flag was presented by Aloha No. 106 NDGW in memory

of Aloha's President and Grand Secretary of the Order, Sallie R. Thaler. The presentation was made in the auditorium of the Oakland Free Library through the courtesy of PGP Peter T. Conny, NSGW, Oakland City Librarian. The flag which was given through the generosity of Past President Irma Murray, was presented by State Chairman of Civic Participation, Gladys I. Farley and accepted by Sister Virginia Mary, Vice President of the College of Holy Names, on whose campus the flag now flies. Members of the Order and the public were in attendance.

GRAND TRUSTEE HONORED

Complimenting Grand Trustee Edna C. Williams, *Sequoia* No. 272, honored her at a tea and reception at the Live Oak Club House, Berkeley. A large representation of Grand Officers and members of Parlors in the Bay area were guests.

In the receiving line with President Lola Bredehoft and Mrs. Williams were Louise Beneditti of *Encinal* No. 156, deputy to *Sequoia* and Mary Scott, incoming president of the Parlor. The guest of honor, who was the organizer and charter president of the Parlor, was presented with an orchid corsage by Mrs. Bredehoft, and was also the recipient of many gifts. Grand officers and Don Williams, the honoree's husband, were introduced.

Las Florecitas Junior Unit, with Eleanor Pimental at the piano, presented a musical program. Tea time followed with Mary Santos and Winifred McKee at the urns.

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50 YEAR PIN PRESENTED

Long Beach No. 154 NDGW honored Mrs. George L. Curtis with a 50 year pin at a tea given by the Parlor. President Margaret Willhoyte made the presentation. All four daughters and the grand daughter of Mrs. Curtis are active members of *Long Beach* Parlor NDGW.

NOTICE

Space did not permit using all of the Parlor news which was sent in this month. If your Parlor story is not in this issue, look in the July issue.

DEPUTY LUNCHEON

San Francisco Deputies will enjoy their yearly deputy luncheon, June 7, at the Fairmont Hotel. Reporting on this last social affair planned for the Grand President was Ann Shaw of *Golden Gate* Parlor.

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FLAG FROM CHARTER OAK

Charter Oak No. 292 NDGW, Visalia, presented to the county board of supervisors a California State Flag to be flown from the flagpole at the new courthouse. Making the presentation were Mary Hunn, right, president of the Parlor and Frances Culbertson, past president. Board Chairman Roger Moore, left, accepted on behalf of the supervisors.

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FLAGS PRESENTED

President Margaret Willhoite, representing *Long Beach* Parlor No. 154 NDGW, presented the California Bear Flag to Long Beach Area Council of Girl Scouts of America. Receiving the flag were Mrs. H. W. Hodges, president and Mrs. Clayton R. Wood, vice president of the council.

Brownie Troop 600, Long Beach, are the proud possessors of a Brownie flag given by *Long Beach* Parlor No. 154 NDGW. The flag was presented to the girls by Margaret Willhoite, president of the Parlor.

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SANGSTER SISTERS, PAST PRESIDENTS

Thirty-five years ago, in 1923, the three Sangster sisters joined *Reina del Mar* No. 126; all became presidents of the Parlor; Christina S. McCrea in 1932, Mamie S. Miller in 1950 and Lillian S. Fraser in 1952. They are first generation Californians with their parents George and Mary Ann Grant Sangster coming from Scotland.

Mamie was financial secretary for 21 years, now is assistant to the recording secretary; Lillian is treasurer and chairman of the Childrens Foundation. The three sisters were members of the original-dance group, Las Fiesteras, which perpetuates the old customs and dances of early California.

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Good order is the foundation of all good things.

RECOGNITION CEREMONY

A Recognition Ceremony was held in the Fresno Veterans Administration Hospital for volunteers, those who have given many hours of service. Mrs. Anne Scharer, State Chairman of the Veterans Welfare NDGW; Mrs. Dorothy J. Helm, Grand Trustee; and Mrs. Maudie Reinhart, Chairman for *Wawona* No. 272, Fresno, were among those introduced and presented with certificates.

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TRI COUNTY BREAKFAST

The tri-county annual "Meet Your Neighbor Breakfast" of the NS and NDGW parlors in Sonoma, Marin and part of Mendocino counties brought over 200 to Chef Pardini's at Glen Ellen. SDDGP Bernice Faas,

head of District 13, presided. She introduced PGP Louis Pellangrini, NSGW, as master of ceremonies. Various VIP's of the region were in attendance. Among the distinguished NS and ND were Grand President Larry Lafleur, Grand President Irma M. Caton, SDDGP Chester Bonfiglio, NSGW and SDDGP Edna Maggi, NDGW, and Phyllis Faro, founder of the breakfast.

Right Rev. William O'Connor, director of Hanna Boys Center, spoke on the work of the Center. Delightful music and dance numbers were enjoyed. Mrs. Faas thanked the many committees who made the affair a success.

Greatly enjoyed was the tour of Hanna Boys Center, General Vallejo's Home, and the Buena Vista Winery.



UPPER LEFT: Mary Hunn and Frances Culbertson present flag to Chairman Moore. UPPER RIGHT: Long Beach Parlor presents flag. From left: Mmes. Hodges, Willhoite and Wood. LOWER LEFT: Sangster Sisters. From left: Mamie S. Miller, Christine S. McCrea and Lillian S. Fraser. LOWER RIGHT: Recognition Ceremony at Fresno VA Hospital. From left: Mmes. Scharer, Helm, and Reinhart.

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DISTRICT 30

District 30, which includes Santa Cruz, San Benito and Monterey counties held its annual meeting with *Alci* No. 102 NDGW hostessing the meeting. Mrs. John Nardone, SDDGP, was in charge of the evening. Escorted and introduced were Grand Trustee Dorothy Helm, PGP Bertha Briggs, PGP Elmarie H. Dyke, DGP Iva Dias and Mrs. Nardone.

Skits were presented by the Parlors. These included "Last Days at Soledad Mission," *Alci*; "California History," *Copa de Oro*; "Monterey, a City of History," *Junipero*; "A Typical Parlor Meeting," *Mission Bell*; "Miss California Pageant," *Santa Cruz* and "Flag on Fremont's Peak," *San Juan Bautista*.

April showers furnished the decorative theme. A buffet supper followed the meeting. Chairmen included Mesdames Michael Aliolo, Elmer Fahey and B. E. Snyder.

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AREA 4 CONTEST

Area 4 Junior College Public Speaking Contest, under the direction of Chairman Lillian Graves, was held in Upland at the Stuft Shirt. State Chairman Marie C. Landidi of *Palo Alto* No. 229 NDGW presented the awards. Winners were Nancy Wagner, San Bernardino Valley College, first place with "Stronger Than Death (The Donner Party)", coach, Betty Thomas; Beverly Showalter, Santa Ana Junior College, second place with "A. P. Giannini—Banking", coach, C. L. Ford; Keith Froelich, Chaffey Junior College, "The Romance of Citrus," coach,

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Judges were Mrs. Thelma Patterson, Riverside Polytechnic High School; Mrs. Cornelia Hull, retired teacher, Claremont; Paul Breeze, of Ontario Lions Club. The historian was Miriam Post, authority on California history. Committee members, tabulators and time-keepers were representatives from the various NDGW Parlors in Area 4.

Elfreda Robinson and her committee of *Ontario* No. 251 and Ivy Carr, *Lugonia* No. 241 decorated the tables. After luncheon the visitors were taken on a tour of the valley by Lilla Lucas and Louise Fryer, *Ontario* No. 251 NDGW.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

May 3 at the Native Daughters Home, San Francisco, was chosen by Grand Inside Sentinel, Rhoda Roelling, District Chairman for the Public Speaking Contest district finals.

The awards were presented by Grand President, Irma M. Caton. Contestants winning awards included: Robert McDonald, Oakland Junior College, first place, "Romance of Railroad"; Darrel Gustofson, American River JC, second place, "Romance of Banking" and James Carlon, San Mateo JC, third place, "Bret Harte." The fourth place winner was Jerry Moon, whose subject was "John Muir Trail." Helen Bowen, Susanville JC, and Howard Reed, East Contra Costa JC received honorable mention.

Several present and past Grand officers and State Chairmen were present. Refreshments were served by SDDGP Frances Simas and her deputies.

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Lavender was the predominate color in decoration with an arrangement of violets, lilacs, and iris centering the tea table and small bowls of violets on the individual tables. A corsage of violets was presented the honored guest.

Mrs. Hall introduced Mrs. Roelling who spoke on the aims and objects of the order. Honored guests included Mrs. Roelling's husband and her daughter, Ethel Laughlin; Grand Trustee Josephine Sullivan; Grand Outside Sentinel Fern Adams; and Past Grand Presidents Orinda Giannini, Claire Lindsay, Jewel McSweeney and Estelle Evans.

Co-chairmen for the event were Mmes. Vera Laederich and Eleanor Hogan. Music was presented by Mrs. Elaine Null and Mrs. Evelyn Arms.

PARLOR BIRTHDAY

San Diego No. 208 held a reception for Past Presidents, April 9, in the Sala Room of the House of Hospitality, the occasion being the 43rd anniversary of the organization of the Parlor. The two remaining charter members, Miss Irma Heilbron and Mrs. Sophia Sharpe were honored with life memberships and Past President's regalia. The presentations were made by President Arleen Ritter.

San Diego Parlor was organized on April 10, 1915 during PGP May Boldeman's term of office and PGP Dr. Louise Heilbron was elected charter President.

The chairman for the evening was Miss Myrtle Otto assisted by Mrs. Arvada Morgan and Mrs. Letha Miller. The table was beautifully decorated with red, white, and yellow flowers and a birthday cake celebrating the anniversary. Miss Otto paid tribute to the departed past Presidents, to the present and the future.

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LEFT: Tea for Grand Officer. From left: Mmes. Felt, Hall, Roelling and Kleckner. CENTER: Margaret Willhoite presents flag to Brounch Troup No. 600. RIGHT: Charter members honored. From left: Miss Irma Heilbron and Mrs. Sophia Sharpe.



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Mrs. Alma Compton, Senior Past President of *Tierra del Rey* No. 300 NDGW presented a California Bear flag to Franklin School, Redondo Beach. Attending the ceremonies with Mrs. Compton were Mmes. Charles Thiel and Howard Gates.

PARLOR BIRTHDAY

SDDGP Senaida Sullivan of District 36 and Mrs. William Garner, DGP to *Tierra del Rey* were honored at a dinner at the Neptunian Club when the members of *Tierra del Rey* No. 300 NDGW celebrated the Parlor's birthday. Grand Marshal Maxiene Porter organized this Parlor nine years ago.

What it costs to amuse a child these days is more than it took to educate his parents.

Another thing a modern child learns at his mother's knee is to watch out for hot cigarette ash. — Gulf Breeze.

CALIFORNIA PLACE NAMES

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a mission, on account of the innumerable heathen that inhabit these shores . . . and because it has extensive lands well adapted for cultivation and capable of producing rich crops. We may say the same in a mystical sense, as the gentleness of this people gave us great hopes that the word of God will fructify equally in their hearts."

Fr. Juan Crespi, chronicler of the expedition, noted the naming of the locality by the soldiery, but recorded, "I christened it with the name of San Roque."

POINSETTIA PARLOR . . .

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Trustee Eileen Dismuke presented the Parlor with the American flag. PGP Emma Lou Humphrey presented the new parlor with a bag containing 250 silver dollars. The Parlor seal in the shape of a poinsettia was designed and presented to the parlor as a gift by Charter Past President Ethel Libby.

Poinsettia Parlor has participated in many and varied activities, such as placing a plaque at Warring Park in Piru; assisting in Red Cross drives and at day camps for handicapped and retarded children; honoring pi-

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oneers, assisting in the pioneer section of Ventura County Fair; and raising funds for restoration of San-buena Ventura mission. On August 4, 1957, a California Bear Flag was presented to the Women's Center of Ventura at the dedication ceremonies.

A merger with *Las Tres Vistas*, Oxnard, is being considered. The present membership of *Poinsettia* is 62 members.

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PRESIDIO MARKING . . .

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(165 feet) on each side. It was not on the exact alignment of the present city streets but was bounded approximately by Figueroa, Anacapa, Canon Perdido, and Garden Streets. The original wooden palisade was afterward replaced by an adobe wall, 12 feet high, with a stone foundation.

El Cuartel, where the plaque dedication will take place, was part of the southwest side of the quadrangle of the Presidio Real, and was occupied by José Jesus Valenzuela to whom was assigned the duty by Capt. Ortega of checking the soldiers in and out of the Presidio.

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SANTA BARBARA MISSION

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year later received a letter from Fages formally approving the site for Santa Barbara Mission. It was now necessary to await the arrival of new missionaries to California.

Late in October, 1786, Fr. Presidente Lasuén left San Carlos with Fr. Cristóbal Orámas who had just arrived in California. At Mission San Luis Obispo they were joined by Fr. Antonio Paterna.

On December 4, 1786, the feast day of the saint after whom the new mission was named, the site of Santa Barbara Mission was formally dedicated by Lasuén. He recorded, "On the afternoon of this day, no greater solemnity having been permitted us, I . . . accompanied by three other missionaries, went from the presidio to this place. I blessed water and with it the surrounding land, dedicating it to God our Lord; whereupon I immediately blessed the large Cross which we had planted and venerated. We recited the Litany of All Saints and concluded our private function by sing-

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ing the Antiphon, the verse, and the oration of our holy Patroness."

With these ceremonies the padres temporarily ceased their labors. The governor had forbidden the erection of any habitation or shelter until his arrival. Fages appeared on December 14, and Lasuén wrote, "On the sixteenth, an *enramada* having been constructed near the Cress and the governor being present, I sang the first High Mass on this site, and made a brief address suitable to the occasion."

The *enramada*, which served as the Mission's first chapel was a crude structure thatched with grass and tules. In the following year the resident padres, Frs. Paterna and Oramas, erected a more substantial chapel as well as other semi-permanent buildings. In 1789 a new church was constructed of adobe and roofed with tiles. Four years later a larger church was built.

The great earthquake of 1812 caused much damage at Santa Barbara and a new religious edifice was erected under the supervision of Fr. Antonio Ripoll. This new church was dedicated on September 10, 1820.

Seven years later the French traveler, Duhaute-Cilly visited the Mission. He said, "As we proceeded the Mission buildings looked more beautiful . . . From the bay you might have mistaken it for a mediæval castle with its high windows, its towers and its watch-tower; but on approaching it . . . it takes on little by little a religious appearance. The turret becomes a belfry; . . . the

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Architecturally, Santa Barbara
Mission's history has been a record
of building and rebuilding. Much
damage was caused by the 1925
earthquake. In 1953 work was com-
pleted on the rebuilding of its fa-
cade and towers. Today, this noble
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REINA DEL MAR . . .

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ROARING TWENTIES

The Roaring Twenties lived again on May 14 when *Verdugo* No. 240 NDGW gave a Flapper party depicting the styles of clothing worn from 1916 to 1930. Fashions were shown through the courtesy of the Goodwill Industries.

Mrs. Vance Miller, president, and Elizabeth Spurgeon, vice president were chairmen of the affair. Music reminiscent of the period was presented by Carolyn Cronin and Thelma Faye. An original pantomime of flapper days by the young Glendale TV actress Sheila Doyle, was a clever addition to the program.

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Pardon is the virtue of victory.

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AT THE BAR...

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He opened the conversation. "I understand that you are defending this man for child stealing."

"Yes," I replied.

He continued, "I have investigated this case. I don't think the man is guilty. Conditions in the home were very bad. It's a good thing the girl is gone. Your client did the right thing."

I gulped in astonishment to hear of a judge making an investigation of a case he was about to try. Upon recovering, I ventured, "Perhaps we had better tell the District Attorney."

"Well, it's hardly necessary," was the reply, "but we can call him in." Opening the door, he called, "Harry."

The deputy entered.

"Sit down, Harry. I've just been talking to Mr. Friis who is attorney for the defendant in this case we're having this morning. Frankly, Harry, I don't think your case is any good."

The deputy blinked and replied, "I guess you're right, judge."

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FERNDALE . . .

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The citizens boast that their town has the largest living Christmas tree

in the world. It is a Sitka spruce located at the south end of Main street above the town and is lighted by the firemen every year with hundreds of lights and a bright star at its top.

In August 1952 Ferndale celebrated its centennial and in October 1957, *Oneonta* Parlor No. 97 NDGW proudly celebrated its 65th anniversary honoring all past presidents. One of the charter members, Mrs. Mamie Bronsteter, is still living and makes her home in Sacramento.

Today Ferndale, in Humboldt county, is surrounded by dairy farms, famous for their rich dairy products and high producing dairy herds. It is known as the "Cream City." In 1852 this proud little city began as a simple farm, blossomed into a crossroad town and now occupies a niche of real prominence in northwestern California.

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TOP LEFT: Picturesque arena in Santa Barbara, where the Channel City Horse Show and the Annual National House show are held during the social season.

TOP RIGHT: El Presidio Restaurant next to site of original Santa Barbara Presidio.

LOWER LEFT: Casa de la Guerra. This interesting old house was completed in 1827.

LOWER RIGHT: Santa Barbara Court House noted throughout the country for its great architectural beauty.



MRS. DISMUKE . . .

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the years, participation in its projects has proven to be one of the most memorable experiences in my life.

This experience, then, brings us to the "happy ending" referred to previously, for to be installed as your Grand President in the home of my birth, surrounded by loving friends and family is, I believe, truly a fairy tale come true for me. The signal honor which will be mine when the 72th Annual Grand Parlor of the Native Daughters of the Golden West convenes in Santa Barbara in June is one with which I look forward to in all humility for I know it has come about by the loving friendship of my sisters

throughout this great State of ours. I shall only hope that I can measure up in every way to the confidence you have placed in me, and you may be sure my every effort will be bent in that direction.

Your Grand Parlor Convention Committee is making great plans for your happiness while guests of District 33, comprising Santa Barbara and Ventura counties. The six parlors in the area have cooperated in planning an interesting program for your pleasure, and its theme of "Fiesta" will be carried out by participation of your Grand Officers and many delegates bringing Fiesta garb for the occasion. We urge you all to do the same. We know you will find the program appearing in this issue inviting and every effort is being made to make you comfortable and

happy while you are guests of the "Fiesta City."

It is my sincere hope, as I am sure it has been each Grand President who has preceded me, that the year ahead will be one of strengthening of our Order through expanding of our membership and continued service on the part of those who have lent their loyalty through many happy years of membership. It is also my sincere wish that we shall assist those parlors needing aid, and bring new ones to culmination in the new year.

The projects of our Order will require our continued untiring support. Our project for the restoration of Soledad Mission commands our attention in order that it may be brought to fruition. The chapel has been restored and is a tribute, indeed, to the generosity and interest of our entire membership. Our State Chairman now proposes the raising of funds for restoration of additional portions of the original building, particularly for a museum to house the artifacts of the Mission Era, and two rooms as living quarters for a permanent custodian at the Mission. Approximately \$5,000 is needed to complete and augment funds now available, and what more fitting tribute to the memory our beloved late Grand Secretary, my loving and devoted friend, Sallie R. Thaler, than a memorial in her name for the completion of the Museum Building at Mission Soledad? It was largely through her efforts that our Order assumed the raising of funds for the restoration of this last in the chain of the California Missions to be restored. This will be the major project of your Grand President in the coming year, and the support of all parlors toward the completion of this memorial fund as a tribute to one of the most dedicated Native Daughters the Order will ever have will be sincerely and deeply appreciated. Let us pledge ourselves to point with pride when the year closes to the completion of the raising of funds for our restoration project at Mission Soledad.

The many other projects with which we concern ourselves each year must also have our undivided attention. The work of our Childrens Foundation has consistently during the six years of its existence gained in interest and support, and the year

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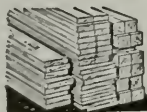


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Our scholarships have taken on added impetus during the year just closing with the completion of the \$5,000 Memorial to our Late Past Grand President Sue J. Irwin, thereby assisting deserving young women in preparing themselves for their rightful place in our fast-moving world.

History and Landmarks, Veterans Welfare, Americanism, Conservation, Native Daughters Home—indeed, all of the reports of Subordinate Parlors to the various State Chairmen of our many varied committees reflect the industrious and dedicated service of our membership to the projects of our Order and I have no fear that in the coming year our history will be further aided and abetted by these same untiring efforts. I shall be deeply grateful to each and every one of our members for her contribution to the great work that is ours to do.

The importance of our magazine, which keeps us abreast of the times and in touch with our sister-parlors is one of great importance and concern to your incoming Grand President. May I implore the membership of our Order to give its support in greater measure in the coming year in order that we may be assured of a continuing monthly magazine. This is our only means of contact with each other and is a very important and integral part of our well-being.

My fondest wish is that, when we meet at Grand Parlor in 1959, it will be my pleasure to say, "And they all lived happily ever after," for that is indeed my wish for each and every one of you, and my efforts during the coming year will be to that end.

EILEEN DISMUKE
Grand Vice President

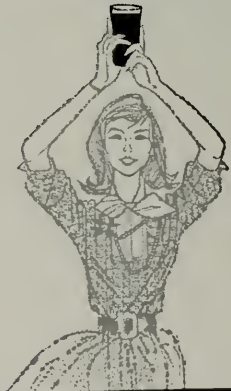
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JULY IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

July 6, 1911—The Devil's Post Pile National Monument in Madera County, was created to preserve an area of remarkable rock exfoliations. The monument contains 800 acres.

July 29, 1920—The first transcontinental air-mail flight from New York City to San Francisco was completed. 16,000 letters were carried on this first flight.

July 21, 1923—The first yacht race to Honolulu was held with six boats leaving Santa Barbara at noon for the longest ocean race ever held as a sporting event. This race is now held annually from Los Angeles Harbor.

July 29, 1927—California's "gin marriage law" became effective. This law requires a 3 day notice of intention to marry before a marriage license is issued.

July 30, 1932—The Tenth Olympiad was opened at Olympic Stadium, Los Angeles.

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Willie, a young colored man, was a physician's chauffeur. Edie, his wife, was a maid in the doctor's household. For nearly a year the young couple had looked forward to a carefully planned vacation that would start on the following Monday.

On Friday Willie went to the bank and withdrew a tidy sum which he and Edie had saved to take a lengthy trip. Early on Sunday morning he donned his best suit and sauntered downtown to bid a complacent farewell to his envious friends who had wasted their earnings and could not enjoy the luxury of a vacation. He carried his well-filled wallet which he intended to open with ostentatious casualness while buying a ten-cent cigar.

In the early afternoon Willie staggered home with his left eye swollen shut and his lower lip split. His new suit was bloody and torn, its left lapel hanging by a few shreds of fabric.

"I been robbed," he moaned. "That big guy from San Bernardino he got my money. I fought him, but he was too big. He took my money."

Edie ran to the phone, exclaiming, "I'll call the police."

"Don't do that," protested Willie, "that guy's tough. He'll get even with me if we tell the police."

"He can't do anything to you if they put him in jail. I don't care what you say, I'm going to call the police!" And she did.

Shortly afterward two city detectives arrived to whom Willie haltingly told his story. "I don't want to do nothing," he mumbled through his swollen lips, "he's tough. He'll get even with me."

"Don't worry," replied one of the officers soothingly, "we'll put that

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FOUNDING OF COMPTON

by Warren W. Butler

COMPTON WAS ESTABLISHED upon the historic 43,000 acre Rancho *San Pedro* which was granted to Juan José Dominguez in 1784 by King Charles III of Spain as a reward for services performed on behalf of the crown. The northern boundary of this historic grant generally followed a line in the vicinity of the streets now known as Cressey Street, Oris Avenue, Oakes Avenue and McMillian Street. The modern city of Compton has breached this line at several points to extend over into territory occupied by the early day Rancho *San Antonio* of the Lugo family, and the Rancho *Tajauta* of the Abila family.

Rancho *San Pedro* came into the ownership of Manuel Dominguez, a nephew of the original grantee. Don Manuel was a leading citizen of his day and served as a delegate to the convention which framed California's constitution in 1849. Following the great drouth of the Sixties, which killed thousands of cattle, Don Manuel found it necessary to sell land. In 1866 he sold 4660 acres in the northeastern corner of the Rancho for the price of \$1700 or less than 30 cents an acre.

The purchasers of the land were Francis Pliny Fiske Temple and Fielding Westley Gibson of Los Angeles who laid out the Temple Gibson Tract and offered property for sale at \$5 per acre. A townsite in lots was laid out in the area now generally lying between Compton Boulevard and Olive Street and between Alameda and Oleander Streets. Gibson is credited with naming many of the streets in his subdivision after trees. Rosecrans Avenue was originally Orange Street, Compton Boulevard was Lemon Street and Olive Street still bears its original name.

A northern California group of Methodists heard of the tract and sent an advance party here to "spy out the land." They were favorably impressed and a group of approximately 30 arrived here about October 1, 1867, led by Griffith Dickerson Compton and William Morton. These Methodist pioneers came by wagon train from the vicinity of Stockton. They acquired land and commenced farming.

The community was given the name of *Comptonville* in honor of G. D. Compton who appeared to be

the outstanding personality in the original group of settlers. By reason of the name's close similarity to *Camptonville* in Yuba County, the postal department objected to it and when the post office was established here on July 6, 1869, the present name of *Compton* was adopted.

Compton, who was born on August 22, 1820, in Pittsylvania County, Virginia, moved to Nauvoo, Illinois, at the age of 20. There he married and then moved to Des Moines, Iowa, where he engaged in farming. He joined the Gold Rush to California, ultimately settling with his family in Woodbridge. There his wife died and he married Emily Flood, sister of George Flood, one of Compton's well known pioneers. It was the poor health of the second Mrs. Compton that prompted her husband to look for another climate which he found in southern California.

Compton's pioneers were alfalfa and grain farmers. Times were hard and they had much difficulty to establish themselves. Twenty years were to elapse until the town passed the 500 mark in population. It was

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Alameda street as it was in 1885 (left) and as it is today, 1958



Fred Cleland, Editor of Compton Herald, presents key to Heritage House to President Frances Bruckler, Compton Parlor No. 258, NDGW.

Heritage House

*by Maude Walton Cleland
and Margaret M. Forsythe*

THE STORY of Heritage House and the things in it is presented in honor of the grand and great-grandparents who played as children in Compton Village during the years of settlement. Everything in Heritage House is like what the people might have used in Compton during the 1870's and 80's. Some articles really were used in Compton and some even used right here in Heritage House.

Down through the years all the different families who have lived in this house have helped to make its story, although they did not know it then. The first school teacher of the village lived in Heritage House when it was brand new. Village boys played in the road in front of Heritage House and went swimming in the slough near where cars whizz down busy Alameda now. Two little girls, who often wandered by, wanted to name their Christmas dolls Quinine and Potash. Dr. Downs (Compton's 3rd doctor) had been called to their home and he caught their fancy with the names of the medicine he prescribed.

By and by a butcher shop and a blacksmith shop, a general merchandise store, and even a hotel were built along dusty Main Street. The first church in town, the Methodist, was around the corner a block away. Compton was beginning to grow and it has been growing ever since.

A Letter from Heritage House tells its own story if you listen to the rus-

tle and murmur from its walls and the objects therein. Greetings, Visitors to Heritage House:

Many of you have not made my acquaintance yet but that does not surprise me. I am much, much older than most of you who will come here to visit. I am a modest, very old house but I do not think I show my age now that I am dressed up in new paint and paper.

I first appeared in the community as a two-room, board and batten cottage, a typical "California house." Then, something happened. I was too young to remember myself and too insignificant for anyone to remember for me. Some folks say just another old shack moved up agin' me and a door cut through. Others say a "new addition." I wish I knew! My new section was finished with rustic and the pattern ran around me, not up and down. All I can remember is I felt right proud and

quite pleased because somebody really liked me and planned to make me their home. Then one day I was very humbled, because someone stopped in front of me, laughed and called me a hodge-podge because I had two kinds of siding. I wished they had looked at my fancy scrolls, (they were pretty, many folks said so) but they only seemed to think me funny.

I soon forgot the little hurt because so many things kept happening through the years. I remember sometimes, in accordance with the customs of the days, my shades were drawn, people wept and spoke in whispers and a member of my family would leave never to return. Then again, a great mystery would fill every room, a quiet hustling about, a breathless silence . . . and then the cry of a new-born baby. Did that make me glad! I was to house a brand new child! Shush, don't tell

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*Restoration Committee.
Back row: Thelma Crain,
Coral Barnes, Maude Cleland.
Front row: Eva Rice,
Margaret Forsythe, Alice
Brooks, Katie Glavinic.*

I WAS STARTED on my eventful life in the town of Marengo, Illinois in 1862.

Mr. Francis Barron had been to California during the gold rush and while there he looked up good farming land, as he was a farmer. He hoped to take his family west and on May 19, 1862 his hope was fulfilled. With sons Albert, Edwin and George and daughter Minerva and two neighbors, Jim Rawrich and Frank Sherer, we started on the long trek to a new land.

It took much preparation for the trip. Many times the wagons were packed and then unpacked so as to carry only the most necessary things. The four horse team was driven by Edwin, aged 18 and George, aged 16. This wagon was loaded with coarse milled flour for horse feed. Then I, the trunk belonging to George, was placed on top along with a bed. The three horse team was driven by Albert. This wagon was loaded with furniture and farm implements. The two horse team was driven by Mr. Barron and Minerva and carried food for the trip which consisted of dried apples, coffee, flour, bacon and beans. There were also bedding and furniture aboard.

We crossed the Missouri River at Council Bluffs and a night watch was set up from here on account of Indian depredations.

Near Fort Kearney we overtook a small wagon train and traveled with it as far as Fort Laramie. There this small train joined a one hundred wagon ox train but Mr. Barron did not join with it as the oxen could eat the grass (which was very scarce) more quickly than his horses could. One wagon joined our party however, also a Miss Furgeson who helped Minerva with the cooking and washing. We now had six wagons in our party. All canvas was painted slate color to evade Indian scouts. On July 18th we crossed the Sweetwater Dam at Independence

Rock. July 20th we camped on the Sweetwater river, as we never traveled on the Sabbath.

When in Salt Lake City we saw work being done on the Temple. The basement was completed and the ground floor was being built. The basement had many small rooms like cells. We learned later that these rooms were used for storage of grain and records.

For some time we had had very rough roads and as the wagon rattled along, it shook me until I wondered if I would be altogether when we reached California. From Utah we came the southern route through Ruby Valley to Lake Tahoe. Four months we traveled through an unknown, unpopulated country before we finally reached California, the land of our dreams, safe and sound. At Lake Tahoe the men in our party got jobs haying at one dollar a day. After a month they went on to Sacramento and worked on the levees until the rains came.

Mr. Barron rented 160 acres of grain land at Elk Grove and after getting in the crops, Edwin enlisted as a soldier in the Civil War and was assigned to Company L, Massachusetts Cavalry. Then Mr. Barron took up 160 acres of government land at Stockton and built a home there. In 1871 he sold this farm and moved to Ventura, and in 1883 to Downey, Los Angeles County.

Edwin and family settled in Compton on a twenty-five acre ranch located on the southeast corner of Rosecrans and Wilmington. He bored a well which was artesian. Compton was a level country and a good sinking basin as the rivers overflowed each year. Many of the wells were artesian. This well proved to be one of the best. Edwin and wife had three daughters, all of whom attended Compton Schools, then graduated from the Normal School in Los Angeles and returned to Compton to teach.



Old Trunk owned by George Barrow



Scene from children's room in Heritage House showing Mary Whaley Mason's doll, Abigail; the McKee cradle and various toys of the early 1850's.

George and family also lived in Compton—the last location being on Main Street, west of Oleander. Barron street was named for him.

When George married in Ventura he left me (his trunk) with his sister Julia. She had a romance but never married. She prepared a part of her trousseau. Some of the garments she

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The Old Battered Trunk

from "The Diary of Minerva"

by Eva Rice

Compton's First Physician

Dr. Francis Spencer Whaley



Eagle Tree, an old Compton landmark

DR. FRANKLIN SPENCER WHALEY walked down the road and across to the Southern Pacific siding, which in 1870 served the community of Compton as a railroad station. The doctor's wife and eight year old daughter were arriving from Los Angeles where they had been living until the new two story home built at the corner of what is now Compton Boulevard and Spring Street was ready for them.

In 1844, Dr. Whaley had completed his medical studies and had practiced medicine in Michigan until 1852. Instead of crossing Panama in his journey to California, Dr. Whaley

traveled the Nicaragua route. Columbia, in the Mother Lode country, was the spot chosen as his first California home. His daughter Mary was born there in 1862. He soon noticed the beginning failures of the gold mines and was ready therefore to accept the invitation of friends to come to the new town of Compton.

The doctor's practice here was large, extending from Los Angeles to Wilmington and from Norwalk to Redondo. When the need arose for the good man to travel a great distance to see a sick patient, the train engineer blew a signal as he approached Compton, letting the doc-

by Margaret Forsythe

tor know he had a message for him. Daughter Mary would hurry to help him get ready and away he would go to meet the train and hasten to his patient. On occasions when the distance was shorter, he rode horseback or drove in his surrey. Frequently as he made his way on horseback across virgin territory then surrounding Compton, he found fields of mustard as high as his horse, but he could sight his way by the old *Eagle Tree*. (This tree is still standing north of Tucker and west of Long Beach Boulevard.) In those early days, eagles nesting in this huge old sycamore had given the tree its name.



A. G. Rice with load of sugar beets ready to dump.

During his long practice Dr. Whaley saw the mustard fields give way to neat fields of alfalfa. Ranches grew up with orchards of apples and pears. Later these ranches were followed by sugar beet fields and dairies.

In 1904 Dr. Whaley passed away and was buried in the pioneer section of Woodlawn Cemetery, west of the city. Today the beautiful modern Whaley Junior High School stands as a fitting tribute to Compton's first physician — Dr. Franklin Spencer Whaley.

Memories of Early Compton

Old Compton Piano

The G. D. Compton family were devout Methodists and loved to sing hymns. When they moved to California, their treasured piano was shipped by sailing vessel around the Horn to San Francisco. The scars of the ropes which secured the piano while aboard ship still may be seen on the old instrument. In 1867, this piano traveled by covered wagon to the new community being founded on Rancho San Pedro by Compton and his party.

Years later, when Mr. Compton became the treasurer of the New Methodist University of Southern California, the piano, of course, moved to Los Angeles with the family.

When the Comptons passed away, Claude Prince, a grandson, bought the instrument from the estate and presented it to Woodlawn Cemetery as a memorial to his grandfather. Now the piano is a part of the mementoes placed in Heritage House.

First Big Flood

To pioneers the year of "the big flood" was the winter of 1867-68 when all of the lower ground was covered with water and inhabitants of Compton had to flee to higher land where the Los Campanas Hospital now stands. Horses and cattle were cut loose and had to "sink or swim."

One grey mare was rescued from the high water. With this old animal, many trips to the nearest grocery store, which was in Wilmington, was

made to procure groceries to supplement the monotonous diet of corn meal and pumpkin of the Compton flood refugees.

Rare Sewing Machine

Among the furnishings of Heritage House is a 70 year old "Wheeler and Wilson" sewing machine in a carved black walnut case. It bears the patent date of August, 1878.

The machine is in good working condition and oddly enough is equipped with a round bobbin and re-wind mechanism. It was won as a prize in a newspaper contest in 1890 by Mrs. Dorothea Hansen. Her brother, Torval Hansen and his wife, Bernice, presented it to Heritage House.

The Anchor Cheese Factory

The Anchor cheese factory was located near the old Southern Pacific depot on Alameda Street. It was built and owned by J. J. Harshman, one of Compton's outstanding pioneers who came around 1876. The first day's output of cheese was two rounds, one of which weighed 10 pounds, the other 8 pounds.

The factory attracted many farmers who started small dairies. When Mr. Harshman retired the factory was handling 20,000 pounds of milk per day.

IOOF

The lodge building of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows was built in 1876 by the members of the Order. The members, themselves, burned the brick on out at the Morton Ranch west of town near Cressey Park. It was the first two story building in town. Entrance to the upper floor was by an outside stairway. The captain's chair, now in Heritage House, was used in this Hall.

Boots

In the museum case in Heritage House is a miniature pair of boots. These were made by Frank Hann in 1885 when he was 13 years of age. He was apprenticed in bootmaking under his father J. R. Hann whose boot shop was on Main Street, Compton.

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G. D. Compton piano



Jeff Mayo stove



Living Room, showing old Nygaard clock, antique platform rocker, Harshman framed picture and other relics.

Grace S. Stoermer Honored



Miss Grace S. Stoermer is presented Los Angeles City Council Award by Councilman Harold A. Henry.

MISS GRACE S. STOERMER of Los Angeles Parlor No. 124 NDGW and Past Grand President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West has been twice honored recently in recognition of her substantial contributions to public betterment.

On last May 31, at the annual convention of the State Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, she was formally presented with a joint resolution of the State Legislature commending and congratulating her.

The resolution surveys Miss Stoermer's numerous activities in the banking and investment field including her vice-presidency of the Bank of America, her service as Secretary of the State Senate and her work as a member of the California Com-

mission, National Statuary Hall, Washington, D. C. wherein she was largely instrumental in the selection of Fr. Junipero Serra and Rev. Thomas Starr King as California's representatives in the Hall of Fame.

After outlining Miss Stoermer's services to the Native Daughters of which she was Grand President in 1917-1918, the resolution points out that, "Her activities in behalf of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs have been equally notable, for she is a past president of the Los Angeles Club, and during her term inaugurated 'Girls Day,' later to become 'Girls' Week,' an institution that was to be adopted throughout the Nation and for which, this year, she received an award from the Los Angeles City Council."

Miss Stoermer is further commended for her services as State Chairman of the Serra Sesquicenten-

nial in California, Chairman of the Women's Division of the Republican National Committee for California, Hostess for California during the Tenth Olympiad, Chairman for the Women's Division of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Chairman of the Women's Division of the Los Angeles Stock Exchange, member of the Retirement Board of the Los Angeles City School System, Vice Chairman of the Women's Division of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses, President of the Los Angeles Sorptomist Club, and other organizations.

The resolution concludes, "Whereas, the foregoing recitals are not a catalogue but a sampling of the achievements of this amazing citizen; now therefore, be it

"Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature extends to Miss Grace S. Stoermer—a great woman, a great Californian, a great American — its commendation and congratulations for a full and outstanding career of public service."

Presentation of the resolution was made by Assemblywoman Dorothy M. Donahoe, a member of El Tejon Parlor No. 239, NDGW of Bakersfield, who explained that the document was authored by herself and Assemblywoman Pauline Davis, and co-authored by Assemblymen Joseph Shell and Seth Johnson. Senator Richard Richards sponsored the resolution in the Senate. It was pointed out that legislators of both political parties backed the measure which was adopted unanimously.

Miss Donahoe lauded Miss Stoermer's great work on behalf of women, describing her as "one who has pioneered the way that thousands of women may now work and enjoy opportunities that are not 'accidental.'" She declared, "Our honored citizen has dedicated a rich full life believing in women. A dedicated public servant she has fought for those beliefs and has left her mark of progress in the business life and job opportunity of everyone of the over 23 million women workers—over one-third of the labor force."

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NEWS OF THE ELECTION of Lincoln to the presidency in 1860 was greeted with mixed emotions by Californians. The Republican candidate had polled only 39.3% of the votes cast in the State and had edged out his closest competitor, Stephen A. Douglas, by only 711 votes.

The total presidential vote in California in 1860 was 119,888. Lincoln received 38,734 votes, Douglas 38,023, Breckenridge 33,975 and Bell 9,136.

Of the two United States Senators from California, Senator William A. Gwin was decidedly southern in sympathy and with the outbreak of the Civil War he became connected with the Confederacy. California's two Congressional Representatives were openly hostile to the new administration. Representative Charles L. Scott of Sonora joined the Confederate Army as a major in an Alabama regiment and was wounded at the first Battle of Bull Run.

The other representative, John Chilton Burch, of Weaverville, did not advocate joining the Confederacy. He proposed that California secede from the union and set up its own republic on the Pacific coast! Burch was born in Boone County,

Missouri, and came to California in 1850. He was the first clerk of the newly organized Trinity County, became its district attorney, and served in both the State Assembly and Senate. He was elected to Congress in 1860 and shortly afterward went to Washington, D.C. From there, on November 22, 1860, we wrote an interesting letter to Charles R. Street, one of the publishers of the *Shasta Herald*. The letter was published in the January 5, 1861, issue of the paper. It reads, in part:

"Our Government has fallen upon strange times. The dissolution of the Union, which but a short time ago seemed to be too far away in the future for me to give it even a passing thought, is now regarded not only with gravity and seriousness, but is looked upon by wiser heads than mine as a fixed fact. But a few days ago I would almost as soon have supposed that the earth by human hands could be arrested in its diurnal motion, as that this Confederation of States, made by such loyal and patriotic heads and hearts of our ancestors . . . could be made to tremble and shake, much less be completely ruptured.

"Such, however, is the state of affairs here now, that I greatly fear the Southern States will not with-

draw from their present hostile position unless some immediate concusive action is had on the part of the North, and I must confess that I have seen but little of a disposition on the part of the Republicans 'as leaders of the South, fired by sympathetic feeling on the part of the masses, declare they cannot honorably retrace their steps and tamely submit to that which they have recently declared to be worse than death or dishonor . . .

"It is my duty—it is the duty of all the Representatives of the Pacific coast, far removed as our people are from the scene of strife and contention now going on—disinterested as we are in this cause of general quarrel, occupying a standpoint whence we may view calmly, dispassionately, and fraternally both the action of the North and South, to use our utmost exertions to prevent disunion . . . and may God grant us success in this discharge of duty.

"But it is premature in the present condition of affairs, when this struggle is in its incipency . . . when, perhaps, in a very short time, despite our earnest and unceasing exertions, a fraternal war may be waged with all that ferocity which characterizes civil war alone, for us to begin to look to our own safety . . . to determine whether it is not better for us to cease our connection with a people bent on self-destruction. . . .

"It is expected, nay, even it is hoped by many of all parties . . . North as well as South, that California, Oregon, New Mexico, Washington and Utah, will seek refuge for themselves from the blighting effects of disunion and Civil war, by retiring and establishing a prosperous, happy and successful Republic on the Pacific Slope, to which they and their brethren here, may look for peace and quiet for themselves and their children. . . .

"The people of California and her neighbors should be of one mind on this subject, and be prepared for the emergency; and if the 'Fates' should force us to this last sad resort, let us, with a disposition to welcome all who come to us from our 'old homes' seeking an asylum, raise aloft the flag of the 'Bear' surrounded by the

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AGENTS FOR THE SHASTA HERALD
San Francisco—Tnos. BOYCE, N. E. cor. Mont
gomery and Washington.
Serrano—MERRETT & BADLAM.
Red Bluff—Wells, Fargo & Co.
Horsestown—CHARLES McDONALD.
Millville—SMITH & TANQUARY.
Shasta—A. PHILLIPSON, Pacific Book Store.

The Shasta Herald.

SHASTA, SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1861.

The Union Trembling to its Fall.

In another column will be found an interesting letter from Hon. JOHN C. BURCH, on the state of the country, and the prospects of a conflict between the discordant sections. Mr. Burch's position at Washington enables him to form a much better estimate of the real feeling existing in the East, than can be obtained through the contradicting statements made by the Pony Express. The letter conveys a very gloomy impression of the prospects of conciliation, which dismal prospects are confirmed by our telegraphic dispatch of the latest Pony news.

The State of the Union—Letter from Hon. John C. Burch.

WASHINGTON CITY, Nov. 22d, 1860.

Hon CHAS. R. STREET—Dear Sir: Yours came to me while I was in Missouri, visiting my friends. Having just returned to this city and located myself for the Winter, I hasten to thank you for your expressions of friendship and future good will. In all I have done I claim for myself nothing more than a faithful discharge of duty, with whatever of ability I possess; but should my, perhaps too indulgent friends, find aught in my course to commend me to their good graces, I attribute it to their kind partiality for me as an individual, rather than to any special merit in my official acts. Our Government has fallen upon strange times. The dissolution of the Union, which but a short time ago seemed to be too far away in the future for me to give it even a passing thought, is now regarded not only with gravity and seriousness, but is looked upon by many wiser heads than mine as a fixed fact. But a few days ago I would almost as soon have supposed that the earth by human hands could be arrested in its di-

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Grand Officers, Past Grand Presidents, and Members of Subordinate Parlors—

Greetings from your Grand President! The 72nd Grand Parlor of the Native Daughters of the Golden West has now come and gone, and recorded in the annals of our Order will be much of accomplishment for its benefit. The hostess parlors of Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties can well be proud of a beautiful Grand Parlor in the festive Santa Barbara "Fiesta" theme. They are to be commended for providing a worthwhile program for us and for their untiring efforts in our behalf. I should like to express my personal appreciation and affection to the members of each parlor in the district who assisted in any way in making the 1958 Grand Parlor the success that it was, and to my own parlor members for their loyal sup-

port and kindnesses to me through the years I say, with deepest gratitude, my heartfelt thanks. To Helen Drew, our Grand Parlor Chairman and my very dear friend, congratulations for a job outstandingly well done.

The year ahead will be one of challenge in this changing and demanding world in which we live—one in which we must make every effort to build our membership, and to provide an impetus for retaining those members whom we now have. Concentration on the outstanding projects of our Order — Civic Participation, History and Landmarks, Childrens Foundation — in addition to the many other facets of endeavor provided in our programming, will win new members and be an inspiration to those who have served our Order over the years. It is my sincere desire that we shall close the ensuing year with a gain in membership and closer ties of friendship between parlors and members.

Many parlors throughout the State will be celebrating fifty years of membership in our Order and I urge your attendance wherever possible in these observances. The dates will be outlined in my itinerary.

Native Sons of the Golden West, under the leadership of Raymond H. Shone, Grand President, will sponsor treks to California historic shrines during the coming year and the cooperation of members of our Order in these observances will build toward closer ties between our two Orders and will provide enjoyment and inspiration to all who participate. Admission Day will be celebrated in our State Capital this year and I urge your attendance at the

celebration of the birthdate of our State of California.

My goal for the coming year will be one of completing our Mission Soledad Project. We can look with great pride on the accomplishments of the past in the restoration of the chapel. Plans for completion of the work call for the erection of a museum room and two rooms to be used as living quarters for a permanent custodian of the site. The museum will be a living monument to our beloved late Grand Secretary, Sallie R. Thaler, whose dedicated labors on behalf of our Order over the many years of her membership brought inspiration to all with whom she came in contact. Her good works will live on forever in the hearts and minds of those of us who had the good fortune to know and love her, and upon the completion of the Museum building a plaque dedicated to her memory will be placed with proper ceremonies. The cooperation of the membership in bringing to a successful conclusion the program outlined above will be deeply appreciated by your Grand President, and will be a source of great inspiration and satisfaction for all time to come, for we will have then succeeded in restoring the last of the twenty-one California Missions to be brought back to full complement.

It is my hope that efforts on behalf of our Childrens Foundation work will be expanded during the coming year, as they have in the year just completed, with area and district events focusing attention on the great work being accomplished in this field. My year as Grand Vice President afforded the added pleasure of membership on the Childrens Foundation Committee and it was indeed an inspiration to me. The good we are accomplishing for the unfortunate little ones of our State, and their anxious parents in itself makes membership in the Native Daughters of the Golden West worthwhile.

I pledge my year as Grand President to one of service to our Order and pray that when my year is brought to a close many of the

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ITINERARY OF GRAND PRESIDENT

JUNE

29 Founding of San Francisco — celebrationGolden Gate Park

JULY

12 Marysville No. 162 — 50th Anniversary

19 San Francisco Extension of the Order

Tea Palace of the Legion of Honor

20 Dedication of Relic Building.....Oroville



PIONEER RELIC BUILDING

by Florence D. Boyle, PGP

The new extension to the Pioneer Relic Building sponsored by *Argonaut* No. 8, NSGW and *Gold of Ophir* No. 190, NDGW of Oroville has been completed. This extension and basement of same size gives an added space of 41 x 65 feet and extends from the rear of the present building to the levee.

The original building was erected and dedicated by the Grand Officers of the Native Sons of the Golden West in May of 1932. The thousands of pictures, documents, newspapers, gowns, firearms, spinning wheels, musical instruments, mining equipment and others too numerous to mention all represent sacred mementos of the early days of California and are gifts to the two parlors for preservation. Nothing is accepted for display on loan.

Since its erection, thousands have enjoyed the privilege of visiting this building and delving into the romantic and picturesque past of our Great State. Besides the regular visitors, each year bus loads of Elementary, High School and College students have toured the building in connection with their studies of the "Western Movement."

A grand opening of the new extension will be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, July 20, to which the public is invited. The evening before, July 19, at 7:00 p.m., a Dedication Dinner will be held at the new Prospector's Village. The banquet room has a seating capacity of 400. Reservations may be made by contacting Mrs. Alberta Martin, 3463 Stauss Ave., Oroville.

HISTORY OF COMPTON PARLOR

by Ellen Haskell

COMPTON PARLOR No. 258 NDGW was formally instituted May 5, 1934, after a hazardous year of post-ponelement — all due to an "act of nature." All plans were complete, the hall was in readiness, the refreshments prepared and 40 California born women planned to meet, at eight o'clock in the evening of March 10, 1933, to become charter members of the new parlor. Alas! At 5:57 p.m. Mother Nature took a hand by producing the worst earthquake in the history of our city, in fact, in most

of Southern California. Our town was leveled . . . survival rather than institution was foremost in the minds of the group.

After many trials and tribulations, the institution was set for May 5, 1934. No catastrophe took place on this date and 30 of the original "would have been" charter members again assembled. Our organizer PGP Hazel B. Hansen, assisted by PGP Grace S. Stoerner, late Grand Secretary Sallie R. Thaler, Acting Grand Marshall Evelyn Wilson, SDDGP

Nellie Cline, DGP Flora Holy, and *Long Beach Parlor* exemplified the ritualistic work. *Compton* became the 258th parlor in the state.

Three charter members remain: Lucille Adams DeCounter, who lives in Soulsbyville, Florence Letterman and Kate Glavinic of Compton.

All committees are active. The entire membership assists in the work and in helping to raise funds for our projects.

World War II brought many changes to our community, and so it was at this time we assumed many added responsibilities in community service. We feel that our contribution to the community then, as well as today, can be summed up in one word—Service—service given where it is needed.

Our Parlor has made four historical markings: 1—The site of the first air meet held in the United States on Dominguez Hill in January, 1910; 2—Woodlawn Cemetery (originally Rural Cemetery) in which the founder of Compton and other pioneers were laid to rest; 3—Eagle Tree, a sycamore, situated on the outskirts of Compton, used since the days of the Dons as a landmark for making surveys; and 4—the historical church bell which called two congregations to worship in the early days of Compton and is now permanently located on Compton's Main Street.

There are several "annual events." The Pioneer Picnic is held on Memorial Day. Invitations are mailed to all known "Old Timers." *Compton Parlor* secures the meeting place, acts as hostess, furnishes and serves coffee. The Enchilada Dinner is a fund raising affair. It is supported not only by Native Daughters but the entire community. Our Family Night is held in September and is truly a family get-together. Our "Fiesta Chiquita" honors our Supervising District Deputy Grand President, our Deputy Grand President and celebrates the Parlor's birthday. Candy, apron, and potted plants booths help raise funds for our various Welfare Committees. It is also our "fun-time" which makes for a very large evening.

Our Founders have built a firm foundation — let us keep it so. May we ever be humble but proud of our birthright — always aware of our responsibilities to our Country, our State and our Order!

FUNDS FOR MISSION

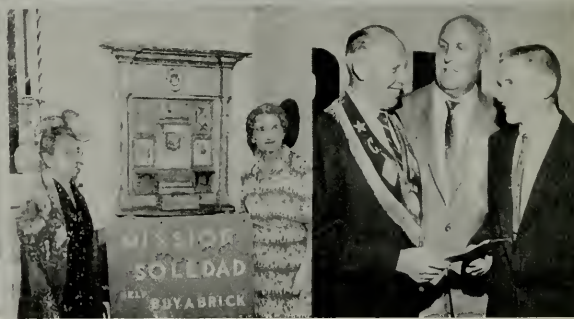
by Mrs. William MacFarlane

Mission Soledad, 13th in the chain of missions from Sonoma to San Diego, is receiving funds for its res-

toration through the efforts of *Reina del Mar* No. 126, NDGW, Ellen Hayward, past president and state

history chairman, is in charge of the campaign. She designed the poster "Help Buy a Brick" to remind citizens that every dollar will be used in building rooms for a museum and living quarters adjacent to the chapel of Mission Nuestra Señora de la Soledad in Salinas Valley.

Santa Barbarans assisting include



UPPER LEFT: Grand President Larry J. Lafleur with delegates from Santa Ana Parlor No. 74, NSGW at Grand Parlor, Stockton. From left: Back row: Allen Gisler, Mrs. Gisler, James J. Friis; Front Row: G. P. Lafleur, Walter Gisler, Mrs. Gisler. UPPER RIGHT: Seated center: SDDGP Frances Simas, Grand President Irma M. Caton (1957-1958) and the Deputy Grand Presidents of San Francisco who closed their term with a luncheon June 7, at the Fairmont Hotel. LOWER LEFT: Mrs. Lloyd Bresee tells a couple of Stockton youngsters of the philanthropic work done by the Native Daughters. LOWER CENTER: Restoration Project. Left: Mrs. Frank L. Birabent; right: Mrs. Mamie Coulett Abbott. LOWER RIGHT: Larry J. Lafleur, Grand President NSGW, 1957-58, presents \$1,000 to Jerry Uelmer of Los Angeles, first place winner of Native Son Public Speaking Contest for High School Students. James R. Ray, chairman of Southern California District NSGW Contests looks on. Jack Curren, (not shown in picture) Los Angeles, was chairman of 3rd District Contest. Jerry's topic was "Justice and the Vigilantes."

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Grand President Eileen Dismuke is on the Advisory Committee with Mrs. Orinda C. Giannini, state chairman of the restoration committee.

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AMADOR COUNTY

Amador County's four NDGW Parlors: *Ursula* No. 1 of Jackson, *Chispa* No. 40 of Ione, *Amapola* No. 80 of Sutter Creek, and *Forrest* No. 86 of Plymouth, received Grand President Irma M. Caton at her last official visit to the Parlors as Grand President. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sherwood of *Forrest* Parlor after which the president of each parlor was escorted and introduced.

Presidents of the various Parlors presided over important ceremonies during the evening: opening ceremonies, President Dolores Questo; exemplification of balloting, President Emma Swingle; initiatory degree, President Melba Withrow; Good of the Order, President Adelle Brown.

Many Grand Officers and other dignitaries were in attendance.

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LAST OFFICIAL VISIT

The last official visit of the 1957-1958 fiscal year honoring Grand President Irma Caton was held May 27 at 555 Baker St., San Francisco. Hostess parlors were *Oro Fino* No. 9, President Helen LeTourneau, Chairman Mildred Quarneri; *Portola* No. 172, President Louise Chironi, Chairman Agnes Curry and DDGP's Zelma Buckholtz and Clarisse Myers.

MARIPOSA PRESENTS FLAGS

American and California Bear flags were presented to the Mariposa Elementary school. May Kleiman of *Mariposa* No. 63, NDGW headed the project. In presenting the Bear banner, Mrs. Doris Stroming, president of the Parlor, told the history of the California emblem. Thomas B. Price, superintendent of schools presented the national ensign and spoke on the true meaning of the American flag.

Assisting in the ceremony were teachers, parents and students of the school. After the ceremony the color guard, school officials and Native Daughters went to Yosemite for a similar flag presentation.

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DARINA HONORS SISTERS

Darina No. 114, NDGW, honored the three Schmidt sisters: Kate, Christine and Rose who joined the Parlor, April 12, 1908. (Their mother, who passed away in 1931, joined *Darina* in 1899 at the time of the institution.) PGP Evelyn I. Carlson was invited to present the fifty year pins to these three distinguished members who were also honored with life memberships and a letter of appreciation for their years of loyalty to the Order.

At the close of the meeting a delightful surprise party was given to Deputy Lucille Ashbaugh of *Dolores* Parlor who has endeared herself to *Darina* members because of her untiring efforts and encouragement. The gifts she received were a testimonial of the Parlor's regard for her.

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HOLLISTER

PGP Bertha A. Briggs, in appreciation of the many acts of kindness and friendship extended to her through the years, entertained members of *Copa de Oro* No. 105 NDGW at an informal dinner at Paine's. Especially honored were charter members Anne Gould and Grace Kelly and 50 year member Hilda Perry.

The guests presented their hostess with a lovely orchid and contributed to the Childrens Foundation in her honor.

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TEA FOR GRAND OFFICER



Berryessa Parlor No. 192 NDGW honored Fern Adams, Grand Outside Sentinel at a reception and tea held on May 4, at the Monday Afternoon Club, Wil-

lows. Mrs. Adams gave a talk on the history of the founding and the objectives of the Order. She also introduced Grand Trustee Mary Ehlers, PGP Doris Gerrish, Mayor and Mrs. Robert E. Boyd and the members of her family who were present. Others introduced by program chairman Mae Huston were President Margaret Gilbert and Outside Sentinel Lucy Girdler of the Past Presidents Association. Out of town parlors represented were *Annie K. Bidwell, Centennial, South Butte, Gold of Ophir, Camellia, and La Bandera.*

Verna Westlund was general chairman of the lovely affair. The tea table was decorated with a doll whose hooped skirt was fashioned in pink and yellow rose shades. Pouring were Mrs. Stella Briggs and Mrs. Shirley Lewis. An entertaining program was presented.

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PILGRIMAGE TO SONOMA

On June 15, the NS and NDGW celebrated the raising of the Bear Flag at Sonoma, June 14, 1846. Brief ceremonies were held with appropriate remarks by Grand President Raymond H. Shone, NSGW.

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DISTRICT 21

District 21, Contra Costa County
was hostess when 120 members and
guests met to honor Grand President
Irma Caton and SDDGP Vera
Kleckner at the annual district meet-
ing in Lafayette on May 3.

"Flags of California" was the
theme with Dr. Peter Conmy, PGP,
NSGW as speaker. Miniature flags
decorated the tables. Entertainment
was provided by Las Amignitas
Junior Unit. No. 33.

Assisting in arrangements were
decorations, Las Amigas No. 311;
invitations, Antioch No. 223; pro-
grams, Stirling No. 146; gifts, Car-
quinez No. 310; and door, Donner
No. 193 and Las Juntas No. 221.

LUNCHEON IN OAKLAND

SDDGP Mildred Schilling and
the deputy grand presidents of Ala-
meda and part of Contra Costa
counties, sponsored a Civic Spring
Day Luncheon, at Hotel Leaming-
ton, Oakland, May 24, honoring
Grand President Irma Caton. Many
Grand officers and other distin-
guished guests were present to en-
joy the festive occasion.

WATERAMA PARADE

Gold of Ophir No. 190 NDGW of
Oroville were featured in the annual
Waterama parade. Gil Bowles drove
his 1908 "Metz" roadster with PGP
Florence D. Boyle as his passenger.
Both were dressed in keeping with
that period. In charge of the entry
were Margie Marler and Thelma
Reichmann.

The 47th birthday dinner of *Gold
of Ophir* No. 190, NDGW of Oro-
ville was held at Chef Don's in
Oroville.

Four of the remaining charter
members were present: Ruby Me-
kellos, Ellice LaVoy, Mae Belle Bills
and Florence D. Boyle. Toastmis-
tress Rose Ella Wade, called on each
member present, who responded
with interesting bits of history of
the parlor. Mmes. Karageris, Hefner,
Gov and Sollars were in charge of
arrangements.

Mrs. Dorothy Drumb was pre-
sented with her twenty-five year pin.

SAN JOAQUIN DONATIONS

San Joaquin No. 5 NDGW, Stock-
ton, under the leadership of Mrs.
Lloyd Bresee recently voted a series
of donations in memory of Sallie R.
Thaler, Grand Secretary for 31 years.
Donations included gifts to the
NDGW Home with Mrs. Sophie
Nelson, chairman; Mission Soledad
Restoration Fund, Mrs. Minnie Witt,
chairman; Childrens Foundation,
Mrs. James Segal, chairman; Leslie
A. Hicks Home Health Fund, Mrs.
Elbert Bidwell, chairman and Mis-
sion San Jose Restoration, Mrs.
Segal, chairman.

Donations to the National Polio
Foundation of a special wheel chair
and a health campship were also
made. The State Hospital for Dis-
abled Veterans was presented with
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LITTERBUGS

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campaign against "litterbugs." She
presents the following article as spe-
cial interest to all vacationers.

"The American people can be very
proud of themselves. Through their
untiring efforts they have brought
about the coining of a brand new

word 'Litterbug' and it is to be included in the new edition of Funk and Wagnall's Dictionary. The official definition of the word has not yet been received, but for the benefit of those who have not heard it, we will pass along our own. A Litterbug is a common two-legged animal which travels about the countryside, often at high speeds, and attempts to distribute paper cups, kleenex, beer cans and other quaint forms of decoration evenly and thoroughly on all bushes, trees, rocks and roads wherever it travels. One highly developed form of Litterbug contaminates streams by using them as final resting places for garbage and assorted debris. The litterbug is too large to be disposed of by a flitgun or fly swatter, and as yet no effective form of control has been devised. A 'varmint rifle' would be efficient, but this method is usually frowned upon by various law enforcement agencies, since Litterbugs are likely to be found in heavily populated campgrounds and recreation areas which also used by people."

EL ALISO

El Aliso No. 314 NDGW held a Cinco de Mayo Fiesta and Enchilada Potluck. Following the dinner a Mexican piñata and other entertainment in the fiesta theme was enjoyed.

JUNIOR UNIT EVENT

"Country Garden" was the theme of the *Las Florcitas* Junior Unit No. 34, NDGW meeting held at Live Oak Clubhouse, Berkeley. Following the meeting the girls entertained the guests with songs and a dance.

• PICTURE ON COVER

Heritage House, now permanently located in City Hall Park, is one of the oldest buildings in Compton. It was built over 90 years ago. Today, Heritage House stands as a symbol of many episodes connected with the founding and subsequent history of Compton.

On April 14, 1958 at the dedication, the key to Heritage House was presented to the president of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, Mrs. Frances Bruckler. She, in turn, appointed Katie Glavinic, chairman, whose duty was to form an auxiliary to have charge of Heritage House.

The Steering Committee on the project included General Chairman Norman A. Bennett, Jess Watkins, Jack C. Cleland, Mrs. Alice Brooks, Mrs. Coral Barnes and William Chipendale. Heading the restoration committee was Mrs. B. R. Forsythe with Mrs. Eva Rice, Mrs. Fred Cleland, Mrs. Louis Glavinic and Mrs. Chester Crain on the committee.

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BILL GOODWIN

Bill Goodwin, 47, veteran radio, television and screen personality, died of a heart attack at Palm Springs on May 9. Born in San Francisco on July 28, 1910, he left his studies at the University of California to commence his radio career in his native city.

For many years he was "straight man" for Bob Hope. He also served as announcer for Hollywood Hotel, Joe Penner, Burns and Allen, Blondie, Edgar Bergen, Sammy Kaye and Frank Sinatra. Recently he had been host for the Colgate Hour.

Goodwin had appeared in numerous motion pictures including "Spellbound," "The Jolson Story" and "Bundle of Joy."

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FOUNDING OF COMPTON . .

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more than 30 years before such modern conveniences as banks, electric lights, telephones and paved streets began to appear.

accordance with the procedure then in vogue the petition was presented to the legislature. Thomas R. Bowles, William H. Carpenter, James J. Harshman, George H. Palmer and Rudolph Sherer were designated as



G. D. Compton

On March 14, 1885, the Legislature passed an act allowing small communities to incorporate as cities of the sixth class. There are different versions about the reasons for the incorporation of Compton. A pioneer newspaper urged incorporation as a means of securing better roads, police protection and protecting local business by levying higher licenses on Los Angeles firms selling their wares here. Compton was also a town which strongly favored prohibition and incorporation was urged as a means of banning saloons, a problem which was just beginning to develop at that time.

After two years of public discussion, in January, 1888, a petition was approved asking incorporation. In

members of the first board of trustees. The original corporate area was to extend a mile east and a mile west of what is now Willowbrook Avenue and from Greenleaf Drive to the north boundary of the Temple and Gibson Tract.

On May 11, 1888, the Secretary of State certified that the new city was created and three days later the first board of trustees met at the home of William H. Carpenter with L. C. Walter serving as the first city clerk. (Carpenter's home, recently reconstructed, still stands at 112 East Almond Street.) Sherer was selected as the first president of the board, the modern equivalent of mayor. He was soon succeeded by Carpenter who was followed by Harshman. J. R. Hann, father of Frank Hann, was the first city treasurer.

The early municipality of Compton had many troubles. The boom of the Eighties turned into the severe depression of the early Nineties. By 1889 the city was having difficulty collecting taxes. The board of trus-

tees stopped meeting after January 3, 1890. No election was called and the city government stopped functioning. A public meeting was held on the following September 6 at which it was informally voted to disincorporate. However, no actual legal election was called.

GRACE S. STOERMER . . .

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The resolution adopted by the Legislature is one of the two honors bestowed upon Miss Stoerner this year. On March 13 the Los Angeles City Council presented her with a resolution, beautifully illuminated and engrossed on parchment, commending her for her service in founding Girls' Week.

The history of Girls' Week commences in 1944 when Miss Stoerner was president of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Los Angeles. Visualizing the need of such a project she appointed a committee with Dr. Jessie Graham, Supervisor of Business Education in the City Public Schools as chairman, to inaugurate the program. The Board of Education and various PTA organizations responded favorably and the members of the Los Angeles Business and Professional Women's Club pledged themselves to invite high school girls to visit their offices and places of business to observe their operation. Other businesswomen of the city agreed to cooperate in the venture.

Mayor Fletcher Bowron officially proclaimed April 19, 1945, as Girls' Day and urged "the utmost hospitality be extended to the young women who may visit offices and other places of business to become better informed in the work now being done for women." Approximately 200 girls, selected for their scholastic ratings, spent the day visiting offices, factories and public buildings in the city.

In the following year the Business and Professional Women's Club of Los Angeles requested its district organization to sponsor the program. Through the efforts of Miss Stoerner and her efficient chairman Dr. Jessie Graham and other faithful workers Girls' Week has now become a national project of the Business and Professional Women's organizations.

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Assuming that the municipality was dead, efforts were made in 1896 to reincorporate. Nothing came of this. By 1905 there was again a demand for a city government. On advice of Los Angeles attorney E. T. Sherer, 83 local residents petitioned Governor George C. Pardee asking him to find that Compton had never disincorporated and to appoint election commissioners to hold an election to name a board of trustees. The governor rejected the request. A lawsuit was instituted resulting in the Supreme Court in 1906 ruling that Compton had never disincorporated.

Today, Compton is a bustling city of 60,000 people, a prosperous community established upon the firm foundations laid by its pioneers more than 90 years ago.

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MRS. DISMUKE . . .

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dreams I now have will have been realized. I am well aware that such an eventuality will require the co-operation and effort of the entire membership, and I ask your kind consideration in the interests of our beloved Order.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my congratulations to our Junior Past Grand President, Irma M. Caton, for her efforts on behalf of our Order in the year just closed, and to thank her for her co-operation and assistance in every way. The cooperation of a Grand President is of tremendous benefit and assistance to her Grand Vice President and I am deeply grateful to her for her kindnesses during the past year when planning for the year ahead was of such import. To my Board of Grand Officers and to the entire membership who have pledged their support in the coming year, I again say, with a heartfelt of thanks and love, my every effort will be spent in the accomplishment of the aims and objectives of the Native Daughters of the Golden West and I shall be looking forward to working with and beside each of you in this endeavor.



First Old-Timer: My grandfather was a gold digger in the Klondike.

Second Old Timer: So was my grandmother.

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A non-medical definition of an ulcer — A bad feeling inside caused by making mountains of molehills.

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In grandmother's day the biggest baby-sitter problem was diaper rash.—Chicago Sun-Times.

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"It's every American's duty to support his government, but not necessarily in the style to which it has become accustomed." —Tom Clifford.

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Courtship is the period during which the girl decides whether or not she can do any better.—Brooklyn Record.

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OLD TRUNK . . .

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had made and put in my keeping were chemises (called "shimmies" in those days) of white muslin, hand-made and decorated. I was stored in

have been placed in the child's room in "Heritage House" with other keepsakes of past years. And when all is quiet and people have gone we visit each other—the rag doll, Mary Whaley Mason's doll, John McKee's cradle, Mrs. Hansen's sewing machine, the rocking chair, little dishes,



Barrow's Artesian Well, 1894

the attic for more than fifty years. When at last I saw day light and these "shimmies" were taken out, they were yellow with age and very out of style.

Now, I, the battered old trunk,

books and toys. Each tells of the adventures he has been through; but, when day time comes again, all is quiet until people come to look and exclaim "What stories these keep sakes could tell if they could talk!"

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Definition of a lawyer: He who is summoned when a felon needs a friend.—Changing Times.

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Slow waiter: "Our coffee is imported from Brazil."

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And then there was the not-too-smart gentleman who, after seeing someone steal his car phoned the police and reported, "Someone just stole my car! But I got his license number."

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MEMORIES . .

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Prices

According to Judge Nelson Ward, he once had difficulty selling home-cured bacon for 6c a pound. Fresh eggs brought 10c a dozen in those early days. Lack of market for their produce hampered the farmers.

Many Relics

Compton residents have been most generous in donating their treasures to the historic Heritage House. Among the many old pieces belonging to pioneers are the parlor organ belonging to the Gaines family and donated by Nadine Connor; the John H. McKee cradle; the Mayo pot-bellied stove; old kitchen clock from the Lucien and Cora Stockwell home; the quaint old pictures from the Harshman home and those given by Margaret Forsythe (daughter of the Muchmores). The old clock in the living room came from Mrs. A. C. Nygaard. These comprise only a few of the memories that Heritage House holds.

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HERITAGE HOUSE . .

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anyone, but some of those babies still live in these parts and I recognize them when they pass by.

Among my most thrilling memories are the times when my walls and windows were cleaned to shining; the lace panels at my windows were starched and white; my rooms were filled with flowers from the gardens of friends and neighbors; my old stove would devour eucalyptus wood for 16 hours of every 24; the old sewing machine rushed out last minute stitches; best dishes were washed and best silver was polished; my old wash pan and roller towel were kept pretty busy. Suddenly everyone would seem to disappear. Soon, like Cinderella, Ma would walk into the parlor gowned in her peau de soie, Pa in his best suit and black tie, the organ would give forth its sweetest music and everyone would breathlessly await the appearance of the lovely bride. Oh! how I did love weddings!

Now all these happenings didn't seem to make much difference to anyone but me, for, within a few days, everything would return to the

same old jogging along as usual. But a few weeks ago something really did happen. A lot of important looking men who seemed to speak with authority came along and said I was just an old house that wasn't worth much anyway and I would have to be torn down to make room for a new fire station. Did I shiver? I had survived earthquake and flood, I had housed my families faithfully and frankly I thought there was still a lot of good livin' in me. But it seemed they had pronounced the ultimatum and my doom was sealed.

Then a miracle happened! Often during my lifetime I had heard read aloud the line, "Woodman! spare that tree." Well, some good, strong, enthusiastic young chap came by, gave me a good looking-over and sent out the cry, "Citizens, save that house! That isn't just any old house. It is the embodiment of all of the old houses of all the old settlers. See that siding? Represents the old and the new of early settlers' homes. (Imagine! I just tingled with joy.) See that scroll work? Represents their love of home and beauty." At that he opened my rather warped door and said, "Look at these six inch pine floors! Every early house had them. (How many times I had wished for wall to wall carpeting to hide them. I had often heard folks speak of four inch flooring and later of hardwood floors.) "Look at those original inside doors and hardware. Tear this down? Never! Citizens, save that house to the glory of all pioneers, to the inspiration of all community-minded persons, as a heritage to children yet unborn."

The people must have heard him shout because things began to happen fast. Now all folks seem to love me. I have a new, secure location along side of very important and impressive looking buildings. Old settlers and new are finding things that were used in the 70's and 80's—(That's when all our world was young, dear)—and bringing them to refurbish me. I really don't know just what is going to happen to me but I am sure on firm footing in more ways than one now and I hear folks saying about me, "She's nobody's house because she's everybody's house," whatever that means. Well, I'm sure it must be something good because it makes me feel so happy inside.



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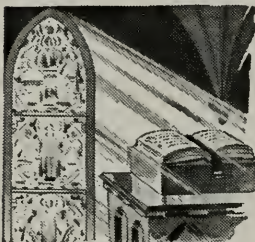
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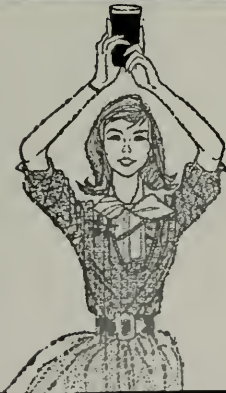
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PACIFIC REPUBLIC . . .

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'hydra' pointed cactus of the western wilds, and call upon the enlightened nations of the earth to acknowledge our independence, and to protect us the only 'waif' from the wreck of our noble Union—the youthful but vigorous caesarian Republic of the Pacific."

Burch's proposal was popular with many Californians, particularly those with Southern sympathy who had no hope of the State joining the Confederacy. No doubt the editor of the *Shasta Herald* published Burch's letter with much satisfaction. In an adjoining column, under the caption of "The Union Trembling to its Fall," he commented on the gloomy conditions in the East and observed, "Well may Californians thank Heaven that they are far removed from the scene of bitterness and distress. Woe to our glorious young State when it shall become otherwise." On another page appeared "Dixie Land," printed in full. Perhaps the political views of the publishers caused the paper to suspend publication in November, 1861.

With the firing upon Ft. Sumter support for establishing a western republic collapsed.

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AT THE BAR . . .

(Continued from Page 2)

fellow where he belongs. We know him. He's no good. We'll take you over to the District Attorney's office in the morning at nine o'clock."

So Willie told his story to a prosecutor who issued a complaint accusing Willie's assailant with robbery. Shortly afterward the case came before a local justice of the peace for preliminary hearing. Willie took the witness stand and described in dramatic detail how the Defendant had seized his wallet and how he had fought vainly. As proof of the tremendous force used the prosecutor (the writer of this story) introduced Willie's coat into evidence, pointing out that the lapel had been violently ripped away and hung by a few threads. Willie stuck stoutly to his story despite a searching cross-examination. An interested gallery of colored gentlemen listened intently.

When the deputy district attorney had rested his case the defense called several witnesses who explained that



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The case ended with the testimony of a bootblack named George who explained that the crap game had taken place in the back seat of an automobile and that when Willie leaped from the car his coat lapel had caught in the handle of the door and tore when Willie fell down. On cross-examination the deputy district attorney pointed to Willie's coat which was in evidence.

"George," he asked, "is this the coat that Willie was wearing on the day he was shooting craps?"

"Yes, sir," was the reply.
"Did you say that his coat lapel was torn when he fell out of the car?"

"Yes, sir."
"Did you see it tear?"
"Yes, sir."

"How did it tear?"
"The button-hole of the lapel got caught in the handle of the car door and when Willie fell down the lapel tore."

"I will show you the coat, George. Is this the lapel that you are talking about?"

"Yes, sir."
"Please notice, George, that the lapel has no button-hole."

"Yes, sir."
"You have been lying to me, haven't you George?"
"Yes, sir."

George's fabrication had no effect either way on the decision of the Court. Obviously the judge recognized that it was not much of a robbery case. The complaint was dismissed and the Defendant and Willie were charged with gambling. Both pleaded guilty. The former was given a suspended sentence in view of the fact that he had spent some time in jail while waiting trial on the robbery count. Willie was given a small fine, the judge recognizing that when the errant husband returned home, Edie would administer to him ample punishment. After all, how would any wife feel who had been cheated out of her vacation?

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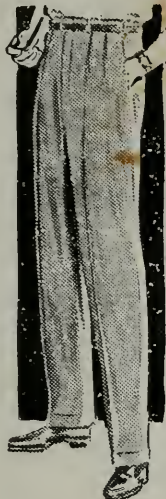
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AT THE BAR



Several years ago I was visiting with a gentleman who in his younger days had played professional baseball with the Chicago Cubs.

"Did you ever know 'Gavvy' Cravath?" I asked.

"Sure I did," he answered, "he was the home run king of the National League. He played with the Phillies."

Today, C. C. "Gavvy" Cravath is justice of the peace at Laguna Beach and like a good umpire he "calls 'em as he sees 'em."

I remember appearing in his court to prosecute a man for some misdemeanor. The defendant was represented by a Los Angeles attorney who asked that all of the State's witnesses be excluded from the courtroom until after they had been called to testify. I had no objection to such a procedure, but requested that the defendant's witnesses be likewise excluded.

The attorney objected vigorously. "Gavvy" settled the matter quickly by announcing, "If it's fair for one side it's fair for the other. All witnesses will leave the courtroom and stay outside until they are called."

There was a local lawyer whom Judge Cravath considered a bit of a problem. This attorney frequently relied upon the common law of England for support of his arguments. On one occasion he had expounded rather profusely upon some abstruse legal principle and ended his argument with the remark, "And that's according to the common law of England."

Without hesitation "Gavvy" replied, "It may be the common law of England, but it ain't common sense and you'd better get some California law in here pretty quick if you expect to win this case."

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AUGUST IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY

On August 2, 1769, Portolá camped on the present site of Los Angeles. In view of the fact that the previous day marked the jubilee of Our Lady of the Angels of Porciúncula, Father Crespí so christened the place.

On August 19, 1773, the first California boundary was established when Father Francisco Palóu erected a cross defining the limits of Dominican and Franciscan territories; the former having been given jurisdiction over the Missions of Baja California, and the latter over those of Alta California. Until a few years ago, the cross still stood on a knoll about 30 miles south of Tijuana.

On August 15, 1846, *The Californian*, the first newspaper to be published in California made its initial appearance as a weekly at Monterey. The owners of this first newspaper were Robert Semple and Walter Colton.

On August 17, 1849 the first river steamboat in California the *George Washington*, arrived in Sacramento from Benicia inaugurating regular service between San Francisco bay and the inland city.

On August 29, 1849, the first accurate map of the city of Los Angeles was completed and filed. It was labelled "Plan de la Ciudad de Los Angeles."

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Gridley Statue at Stockton

A Lost Bet That Won

by Leo F. Friis

RUEL C. GRIDLEY made an election bet and lost. Ordinarily such an event is of small moment and soon forgotten. But with Gridley it was different. His loss proved good fortune to others—and he was glad of it!

Early in 1864 the two-year old mining camp of Austin, Nevada, had decided that it was big enough to be incorporated. An election was called for April 19 and candidates for office were nominated on a strictly national party basis. The Civil

War was then at its height and although the prejudices and sympathies of Austin's citizens colored the campaign, for the most part the rivalry among the candidates was fairly good natured.

"Uncle Dave" Buel, one of the first settlers of the town, who had named it *Austin* in honor of the capital of his native state of Texas, was candidate for mayor on the Democratic ticket. His Union party opponent, Charles Holbrook, had pronounced Northern sympathies.

Both mayoralty candidates were confident of success and their supporters backed up their judgments with ample bets. Gridley had been a Douglas Democrat and as such an opponent of secession. In the present election he found himself in a Democratic camp well filled with Southern partisans which prompted the local newspaper to call him "as gallant a Copperhead as ever lived."

Naturally Gridley was a supporter of Buel. Dr. H. S. Herrick, a county official, was warmly backing Holbrook.

Gridley and Holbrook entered into a bet by which it was agreed that if Buel lost the election that Gridley, marching to the tune of "Old John Brown," would carry a fifty pound sack of flour from his store in upper Austin to the town of Clifton, about one and one-quarter miles away. On the other hand, if Buel were the victor, Herrick was to carry the flour from Clifton to Austin to the tune of "Dixie."

Election day was an exciting one. Buel lost by a narrow margin. On the following day Herrick and his friends were on hand to witness the paying off of the bet. A procession formed in upper Austin where Gridley shouldered a sack of flour which had been tastefully decorated with numerous small flags.

The parade was headed by the newly elected city officers on horseback. Following them walked Gridley accompanied by his ten year old son bearing a flag. Directly behind marched the victorious Dr. Herrick carrying Gridley's coat and cane. Next in line were members of the Democratic Central Committee, two carrying flags, one holding a pole surmounted by a large sponge and another swinging a new broom. The town band brought up the rear.

Everyone was in good humor. The procession moved through crowds of cheering spectators to the Bank Exchange Saloon where the flour was ceremoniously deposited. The flags were surrendered, the sponge "thrown in" as a token of defeat and the broom waved in the air to indicate the "clean sweep" of the victors.

Following these ceremonies the crowd went to another saloon whose proprietors invited all in to "drink on the house." The sack of flour was given a place of honor.

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THE CONCANNON STORY



James Concannon, founder of vineyard

THIS YEAR the Concannon Vineyard in the Livermore Valley is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee. On August 16 the State Park Commission will dedicate its Historical Landmark No. 641, officially marking this historic California enterprise. The Livermore Chamber of Commerce and *Las Positas* Parlor No. 96,

NSGW are joint sponsors of the event.

James Concannon, founder of the vineyard, was a remarkable man. Born in the Aran Islands, County Galway, Ireland, on March 17, 1847, he emigrated to Boston at the age of 18. After being employed in the Singer Sewing Machine factory he

moved to Augusta, Maine, where he worked his way up from bellhop to manager of the Mansion House. In the meantime he improved himself by going to night school.

In 1874 he married Ellen Rowe and in the following year settled in San Francisco where he obtained a job selling books for Anton Roman, well known pioneer bookseller. He then accepted the agency for a rubber stamp company with a territory extending from British Columbia to Mexico. Mexican president Porfirio Diaz granted him a ten year franchise to keep Mexico City clear of rubbish. He sold this contract to a French syndicate and returned to San Francisco.

Searching about for a new business, his friend, Archbishop Joseph S. Alemany advised him to enter the wine business, explaining that the Catholic Church was rapidly expanding and that there was a shortage of sacramental wine.

Concannon approached the venture in his characteristically cautious and methodical fashion. After several trips to France where he studied vineyards and soil conditions he concluded that the Livermore Valley had growing conditions quite similar to those of the Graves district in Bordeaux. In 1883 he purchased 47 acres of land in the narrow gravel strata at the south end of the Valley and imported cuttings from Bordeaux for planting. Some of the oak casks which he imported from France at that time are still in use at the vineyard.

In 1889 Concannon was in need of more capital to expand his project and he convinced President Porfirio Diaz of Mexico that viticulture should be established in that country on a commercial basis. Diaz ap-

proved the plan and granted Concannon a commission to introduce viticulture under the sponsorship of the Mexican Department of Agriculture. Many millions of cuttings were shipped from Livermore to the Concannon Hacienda Roque, in Celaya, Mexico, between 1889 and 1904, for distribution and planting throughout the country.

Like many other vineyards, the Concannon vines were attacked by phylloxera. From the Montpellier Nursery in France bud cuttings from Chateau Yquem and Chateau Lafite were grafted on to resisant rootstock. These were purchased by James Concannon through the nursery agent, Mr. Wetmore, of Cresta



▲ TOP: The Concannon Vineyard lies in the historic Livermore Valley in Alameda County, where Robert Livermore, an English sailor, settled in 1835.



◀ CENTER: The sturdy oak casks on the left of the picture were brought from France in 1883 and have been used continuously from that time.

▼ BOTTOM: In the spacious wine cellars of the winery are 15 varieties of table wines as well as 14 kinds of sacramental wines.

Blanca and shipped over from France. Some of these original Sauvignon Blanc vines may be seen at the Concannon Vineyard today.

The Concannon family expanded to include five boys and five girls. The sons took leave for a few years, with all going through college with the exception of Joseph who entered the United States Cavalry. Joseph attained the rank of Captain and is still called "Captain Joe" by his old friends.

The winery and vineyards grew as the Concannon name established a reputation for white wines. The total acreage in production today is 350 with additional land ready for planting as required.

Following the death of James Concannon in 1911, three of his sons continued the business. Joseph, who

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California Place Names

LIVERMORE VALLEY

Livermore Valley was seen by the Spanish pathfinder, Captain Juan Bautista de Anza in 1776. It is named after Robert Livermore who acquired the *Las Positas* Rancho there. Livermore was born in England in 1799 and ran away to sea at the age of 17. After serving in the United States Navy he enlisted under the British admiral, Lord Cochran, with whom he saw fighting. Thereafter he shipped on the *Colonel Young*, a merchantman, from which he deserted sometime in the 1820's.

After working in the San Francisco Bay region he and William Gulnac built a house in the valley in 1835. Gulnac, who had petitioned for the Rancho *Las Positas* in 1834, sold out his interests to Livermore and José Noriega to whom Governor Juan B. Alvarado granted the 8,800 acre tract on April 10, 1839. Thereafter Livermore acquired Noriega's interest.

In 1844 Livermore became a naturalized citizen of Mexico and two years afterward he bought the *Cañada de los Vaqueros* which skirted the northern portion of the Livermore Valley. These grants were confirmed to him after the Mexican War and he became a wealthy man.

However, Livermore was more interested in horticulture and viticulture than cattle raising. He was the first, after the padres of Mission San José, to plant a vineyard in Alameda County. No doubt he recognized the suitability of the land in the Liver-

more Valley for raising wine grapes.

Alphonso S. Ladd built the first house in the town of Livermore and the eastern portion of the city was once called *Laddville*. When a postoffice was established there on January 15, 1869, it was given the name of *Nottingham* which is said to have been Livermore's home town. (There is some dispute as to where he was born, most historians stating that his birthplace was London.) In the same year William H. Mendenhall, a member of the Bear Flag party, laid out the townsite and called it Livermore in honor of the great pioneer who had died in 1859. The name of the postoffice was changed accordingly on July 7, 1870.

PICACHO PEAK

Obelisk shaped Picacho Peak in Imperial County is a very old landmark. Fray Pedro Font, who accompanied Anza's expedition, saw it on December 4, 1775, and called it *La Campana* (the bell.) The great missionary, Garces, named it *Peñon de la Campana* (rock of the bell.) In early American times it was commonly known as Chimney Rock, a name still popular. *Picacho* means "peak."

Near this peak, a mining camp sprang up on the Colorado River following a gold discovery in 1860. Most of the early miners were Mexicans who worked what were said to be exceedingly rich placers.

The community developed here

was noted for its bullfights and other amusements of a Latin character. Americans, who came later, found very rich lodes in the neighboring hills. About five miles away from the old town of Picacho, on the side of Picacho Peak was the rich Picacho mine. All is now deserted.

PINCUSHION PEAK

Pincushion Peak in Fresno County, near the Madera County line, is so called because its outline resembles that of a pincushion. The name was applied by the Geological Survey when it mapped the Kaiser quadrangle in 1901-1902, and is believed to have been so called locally previous to that time.

LUCERNE

Four places in California bear the name of *Lucerne*, three of them referring to the medieval town and lake by that name in Switzerland, the locale of the adventures of William Tell.

Lake Lucerne in San Mateo County was a welcome change from its old name of Bean Hollow Lake derived from the Spanish, *Laguna del Arroyo de los Frijoles*.

Lucerne Valley in Kings County is an area northwest of Hanford which was formerly known as Mussel Slough. It is the site of the famous Mussel Slough tragedy of May 11, 1880, when United States marshals killed eight farmers in a gun battle arising out of an attempt to serve court orders of eviction obtained by the Southern Pacific Railroad. Under the leadership of Frank L. Dodge, editor of the Hanford Weekly *Sentinel* the area was renamed Lucerne Valley in 1887.

Lucerne Valley in San Bernardino County was not named for the Swiss city. Lucerne is the European name for alfalfa and was given to this locality because it was believed that the soil was particularly adapted to raising alfalfa.

Lucerne in Lake County is on shore of Clear Lake and the location of its hotel suggested the Swiss city.

PINOLE

Pinole is the name of a town, a point, a creek and a shoal in Contra Costa County all of which stand on the historic *El Pinole* Rancho which was granted to Ignacio Martinez in 1842.

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St. John's Church Marked

THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH has a long and honorable history in this State. Actually its record begins in 1579 when Sir Francis Drake landed at or near San Francisco Bay to repair his ship *The Golden Hind*. During the month that he sojourned there his chaplain, the Rev. Francis Fletcher, a priest of the Church of England, conducted the first Christian services in California.

However, it was Bishop William Ingraham Kip who actually commenced the Church's organized work in the State. He visited Southern California in 1855 and nine years later sent the Rev. Elias Birdsall to be a missionary of a district described as "Los Angeles and points adjacent." Birdsall entered into his work enthusiastically and made a

reap an abundant harvest." Despite his enthusiasm he moved to Stockton in 1866.

In the next few years Wilmington received scant attention. Occasionally the Rev. J. B. Gray of Los Angeles came down and held services in the Banning home. Bishop Kip visited there in 1875.

The Rev. Carlos S. Linsley came out from Minnesota in 1882 and was appointed assistant to Rev. Birdsall who had returned to Los Angeles in 1880. In a letter that Rev. Linsley wrote from Hawaii in 1908 he recalled that upon becoming assistant to Rev. Birdsall that he was placed in charge of a mission at Compton. Shortly afterwards Mrs. Phineas Banning invited him to Wilmington. Severing his connection with Los

the mission was admitted to the diocese.

In July, 1883, through the encouragement of Mrs. Banning, the erection of a church edifice was commenced at 422 Avalon (then called "Canal" Street) on a lot given by Mrs. Lucy Lauberscheimer. Most of the cost of materials for the building was met by contributions by the Banning family while Rev. Linsley did most of the carpenter work himself. The church was sufficiently completed in December, 1883, to permit services therein. During construction of the building services were held in a structure formerly housing the Washington Saloon.

When Phineas Banning died in 1885 his funeral services were conducted by Rev. Linsley. During his years in Wilmington Rev. Linsley also served St. Peter's Mission at San Pedro. On March 1, 1887 he resigned his charge and was succeeded by the Rev. Francis R. Starr.

In 1943 the church edifice was moved from its original location to the site where it now stands at 1547 Neptune Avenue. With the exception of a small addition at the rear its appearance is the same as when it was first erected 75 years ago.

St. John's Church has always been closely associated with the sea. Its bell, which has called the faithful to worship for three-quarters of a century, was presented by the Banning family in 1882. It was once the ship bell of the S. S. *Amelia* which ran aground and burned in 1865. The altar rail and altar cross, the gift of a Navy chaplain in 1926, were made at the United States Submarine Base at Pearl Harbor from the brass of a German World War I submarine. The altar is of marble quarried at Catalina.

On June 8, 1958, Wilmington Parlor No. 278, NDGW, officially dedicated a marker commemorating the erection of the church 75 years ago. In the absence of the Rev. Mr. Gaines, who was at a church conference, Mr. Walter Hopson, Senior Warden of St. John's Church, welcomed the guests. After a greeting by Mrs. Agnes Seja, president of

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St. John's Church. From left: Dean Wesley Havermale, Wilmington Parlor President Agnes Seja, NDGW Grand Marshal Maxiene Porter, Lillian Lankerscheimer and Catherine Erven, History and Landmarks chairman.

point of officiating at both Wilmington and El Monte as well as in Los Angeles. His activities in what might be called "points adjacent" met with disfavor on the part of his vestry who wrote to the Bishop asking that Birdsall be instructed to confine his efforts to Los Angeles.

In 1865 Rev. Birdsall said in his report, "There is a wide field here that is almost neglected and one from which the church now, if she would furnish the laborers might

Angeles he came to Wilmington and first conducted services in the Presbyterian Church, later moving to the local school.

St. John's Mission was thus started and the first entry in its parish register, under date of November 5, 1882, shows listed as communicants, Mrs. Mary H. Banning, Mrs. Wm. O'Max, Mrs. M. A. Linsley, R. B. Warren, Thomas Moody and Miss Caroline Stoneman. On December 26, 1882,

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Grand Officers, Past Grand Presidents, and Members of Subordinate Parlors—

I would like at this time to tell you what a pleasure it was for me and for your Grand Parlor Committee to welcome and have as our guests in Santa Barbara the Grand Officers, Past Grand Presidents, delegates and visitors who came in such profusion. Much was accomplished at the 1958 Grand Parlor for the good of our Order, and we sincerely hope that the entertainment features planned for your pleasure were enjoyable.

Outstanding accomplishment from

an historic standpoint was the marking of the Royal Presidio of Santa Barbara Site, Santa Barbara's first landmark, which was spearheaded by our Grand Parlor and in which we were joined by the Grand Parlor of Native Sons of the Golden West, the City of Santa Barbara, the Santa Barbara Historical Society and the Boy Scouts of America, upon whose premises the plaque presented by the State Park Commission was placed. The ceremony was an outstanding one, and the speakers, both renowned historians of California and particularly Santa Barbara, Francis Price, Sr., and Fr. Maynard Geiger, O.F.M., presented the story of the Founding of the Presidio Royal de Santa Barbara in an interesting and fascinating manner. *Reina del Mar* and *Tierra De Oro* Parlors presented American and Bear Flags during the ceremony to the Boy Scouts Headquarters. Following the ceremony a tour of the building was conducted by our Boy Scout hosts. The Presidio was founded on April 21, 1782 and four years later the Santa Barbara Mission was established. We can well be proud of our part in bringing to the attention of the present generation the rich heritage of the past.

This Grand Parlor Session witnessed the acceptance of the resolution presented jointly by your Board of Grand Officers and the Mission Soledad Restoration Committee for

the raising of a memorial fund in the name of our beloved late Grand Secretary Sallie R. Thaler. Your Grand President's goal in the year that lies ahead will be the completion of at least a \$5,000 fund to be used for a Memorial Museum and I ask the cooperation of each parlor in the State to this end. The committee now has a reserve for its building program but additional funds must be raised before we may proceed with the erection of the two living rooms and the museum room which will complete our project. Let us all put our shoulders to the wheel in order that the Mission Soledad Project may be brought to fruition at the end of this year.

Your Grand President is delighted, as I feel the membership at large will be, in the election of Irma Murray, of *Aloha* No. 106, as our Grand Secretary. Irma has been an understudy for many years in the Grand Parlor Office, and her familiarity with the work of our Order, her devotion over the years to her duty, and her willingness at all times to be of assistance is a tremendous asset and I know we all share in congratulations to her on her election to the office which she so justly deserves.

May I urge each parlor to review the summary of Grand Parlor legislation in order that you may all be informed on the actions taken and amendments adopted which will have a bearing on the work of our Order. The ritual for both Grand Parlor and Subordinate Parlors has been frozen for another five years, and the following committees have been combined in order to avoid duplication of effort: Americanism and Civic Participation; Press, Radio and Television have been combined under the heading of Public Relations. Appointments of chairmen in Subordinate Parlors for the ensuing term will therefore be guided accordingly.

The *California Herald* was endorsed as our official magazine, and I cannot too strongly urge the cooperation of the membership in the matter of subscriptions. The *Herald*

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NEW STATE CHAIRMAN

We are pleased to introduce to our readers Mrs. Senaida Sullivan,



the new chairman of the *California Herald Magazine* Committee of the Grand Parlor, Native Daughters of the Golden West. She is also the Grand Outside Sentinel of the

Order.

Mrs. Sullivan, a member of *Beverly Hills Parlor No. 289*, is an eighth generation Californian. Her earliest ancestor in this State was Pedro Amador, a member of Portolá's Expedition of 1769, the first group of white men ever to march overland across California.

She is the great granddaughter of Antonio José Rocha, who came from Portugal and is credited with being the first foreigner to settle in Los Angeles. He petitioned for and was granted the 4600 acre Rancho *La Brea* on April 8, 1828. This rancho has become world famous for the many skeletons of prehistoric animals that have been taken from its tar pits.

Her grandfather, Antonio José Rocha, the second, acquired a large portion of the Rancho *Rincon de los Bueyes* from Francisco Higuera and Cornelio Lopez, grantees of that rancho. In 1865 Rocha erected an adobe house on the rancho, one of the few two-storied adobes ever built in this State. Here Mrs. Sullivan's mother was born in 1868. In this house, also, Mrs. Sullivan was born and now resides. It is situated at 2400 Shenandoah Street, Los Angeles.

During her term as State Chairman of Music, NDGW, Mrs. Sullivan inaugurated the movement which made "I Love You, California" the official state song of California. from 1949 to 1954 she served as Grand Organist.

Her husband, Francis W. Sullivan, well known builder of pipe organs.

passed away last year. His business is now being carried on by the sons, Francis, Jr., William Patrick and Jerry.

Mrs. Sullivan typifies the buoyant and vivacious spirit of California. She is an enthusiastic member of the Native Daughters of the Golden West and an ardent supporter of all its projects.

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Greetings from Magazine Chairman Senaida Sullivan

May I extend greetings to my sister Native Daughters as your State Chairman for the *California Herald*. For me it is a challenge, and I know with the co-operation of each and every member in our organization, we can have the kind of magazine that will please all sections of the State.

As you know, at our last Grand Parlor in Santa Barbara, it was voted on to have a new editorial policy. The State is to be divided into four Areas. By the time of this publication, you no doubt know who has been appointed to your representative area, as your "Area Chairman." This policy will not function until the September issue.

If we are to maintain a unity of purpose, and continue a strong fraternal organization of California born women whose purpose is to work together for the best and highest interests of all the State's citizens, its natural resources, keep alive California's magnificent pioneer history and assure its future greatness, we Native Daughters of the Golden West, must have a means of communication—an official publication.

If we don't have that feeling of co-operative effort, of solidarity, of knowing what is going on among ourselves in this great lengthy State of ours, we are soon going to become merely a series of little units, dotted here and there throughout our California, each little unit working only for its own interests, not knowing (and perhaps not caring too much) what the other units or our order are doing.

THAT COULD HAPPEN AND IT MUST NOT HAPPEN.

We must, therefore, maintain our official magazine, the *California Herald*. To each and every one of you, won't you please do your part in trying to put the *California Herald* over 100% in your parlor? Prove that we are alive and going, and that each is striving to further our principles. To continue, we must have in the hands of the publisher by August 15 at the very latest, the renewal of your subscriptions, and many more new ones. I am counting on your co-operation.

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PARADE ENTRY DESIGN

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"ADVENTURES IN FLOWERS"—theme of the 1959 Rose Parade in Pasadena suggests a multitude of ideas for the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West float theme. Entry sketches are arriving and will be judged in the final selection to be made shortly after the September 10 deadline. All parlors of both orders and interested persons are invited to present sketches, preferably in color and drawn as close to scale as possible, with an appropriate theme title. Maximum dimension of finished float is forty (40) feet in length, twenty (20) feet in width and seventeen (17) feet in height.

Judging of floats is based upon (1) general all over beauty, (2) excel-

lence of design and execution of theme, (3) originality, and (4) use of flowers and color harmony. Judges also consider the freshness of flowers, costumes of participants, workmanship and minor detail, and the finished appearance of aprons, front and rear of the float. Only one award is made to a float.

All efforts is made each year to win the *Governor's Trophy* by depicting the romance of California. Other eligible awards in Class C (Fraternal, Patriotic and Musical Organizations) are: *Sweepstakes*, for the most beautiful entry; *Theme Prize*, for the float most fittingly presenting the parade theme; and the

Queen's Trophy for the most effective use of roses.

Send entries to Vivian G. Morse, 1331 Miramar St., Los Angeles 26, California, postmarked no later than September 10. Winner will be notified by mail immediately after the judging and announced in the October issue of the *California Herald*.

At this year's Grand Parlor sessions, the Native Sons again voted a five cent per capita assessment, and the Native Daughters, a voluntary ten cent per member contribution for the greatest combined effort of the two Orders. Grand President Eileen Dismuke, State Chairman, Vivian G. Morse of Los Angeles No.

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Many long hours are needed in order to properly decorate the float. Native Daughters and Native Sons of the Golden West are shown in various stages of production. Lower left shows finished 1958 entry.

LETTERS FROM OLD SHASTA

part 3

"Shasta, Mch. 6th, 1855



"Dear Mother,

"I received your letter of Jany. 31st today, and as I find I am apt to postpone writing until the last day the mail goes, then something keeps me busy until too late, I concluded to answer as soon as I receive letters, so if you don't get letters now it will be your fault....

"I have never heard anything of Uncle Eben. Tell Ellen to take care. What if I take her at her word sooner than she expects and throw her out of the window. Maybe she has grown so fat she thinks I can't. I have not forgotten how to tease yet and never expect to. I have not much news to write and as you may think I am not comfortable here, I will give you a description of my bed room. It is 12 ft. long by 8 wide, 9½ high papered with a red velvet figure paper and gilt border. The paper and carpet was sent to me by my partner who is in San Francisco. The window has a white figured or wrought muslin under and a red figured curtain over. Over the top of the curtain is a heavy gilt cornice. Cords and a band of gilt hold the curtains back.

"At the side of the door is a dressing table; over the table a small book case with books. Each side of the window a cane bottom chair. Opposite the window is the bedstead 42 inc. wide by 78 inc. long. On the bedstead is a straw mattress, a haridite, sheets, blankets and over all a nice, white Marsales spread. Over the bed is a large mirror 24 inc. by 36; in the corner next the window is my desk where I keep my books and am writing now.

"Next the desk is a door or place where one might be; instead of a

door are curtains and trimmings corresponding with window. Within that door is a small clothes press and bathroom 8 ft. by 4, the water taken in by pipe and comes with great force. All I have to do in the morning is to step from bed to bath room, turn faucet and have a nice shower bath as long as I like. Another pipe carries off the water. All this comfort I enjoy alone. Comments are unnecessary on my part....

"I am glad you did not write Frank and I was sorry as soon as I told him I would send that buckle to you. Not but that I did and do like him. He is the same free, generous Frank I always knew, but he is one of the chaps that cannot stand temptation and California temptations I fear will be his ruin. What I write must be between ourselves and I would not write this much only should he ever come to the States I don't want you to be in the dark and then blame me for leaving you there. In the first place he is a gambler by profession and that of itself includes all vices.... He drinks not to drunkenness, but liquor is necessary to him. He is free as all gamblers are with money while they have it. Sometimes he wins five hundred of a night and loses it the next. He is a fighting man. He makes no secret of all this, but tells everything as freely as though his actions were commendable. 'Tis this free and easy way that makes him liked by all. He is very handsome and a favorite with the women. I think I have said enough, more than I would if I thought he would never go to the States. He sometimes talks of home. Says he will go and men of his class generally

have enough money to gratify all their wishes.

"I hope you read my letters first yourself for I would not like any one but you to read this and I suppose sometimes Abby reads them... What is Eddy doing now, the little rogue. Do give my love to Aunt Catherine Atwood. I dreamed I saw her last night. I often dream of home. Write soon.

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IN A LOVING TRIBUTE to an outstanding Native Daughter of California, one who gave dedicated service for forty six continuous years to the principles and program of the Order of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, by unanimous vote of the 72nd Grand Parlor held in Santa Barbara, June 26, 1958, a resolution was adopted to establish a permanent memorial to the memory of our late Grand Secretary Sallie Rutherford Thaler:

"In consideration of the keen personal interest and devotion of the highest order of our esteemed late Grand Secretary Sallie R. Thaler in the California Missions, and particularly her years of loyal assistance in the restoration program of Mission Soledad,

"That, a special fund be created for the purpose of erecting one of the main Museum Rooms, same to be known as the Sallie R. Thaler memorial fund;

"That, when a sufficient sum is realized and the work necessary to be done completed, a suitable marker be placed and the room dedicated in her memory."

The foregoing memorial to our esteemed member was recommended

and unanimously approved and presented by the Board of Grand Officers and the Mission Soledad Restoration Committee.

Mrs. Thaler was vitally interested in the Native Daughters of the Golden West Mission Restoration program over the many years of her membership and each individual restoration has been the recipient of her generous support. Her interest in the restoration of Mission San Jose has been presented through her Grand Parlor reports through the past years. No less was her enthusiasm for the work of Mission Nuestra Señora de la Soledad, for it was through her office as Grand Secretary that the plight of Mission Soledad was first called to our attention and referred to the State Committee during the year 1939. As a member of that committee Sallie R. Thaler gave loyal and loving service whenever called upon.

Already many members and Subordinate Parlors have recognized her genuine interest in the Mission Soledad Restoration by their special memorials in her memory, and grateful acknowledgement is made of the loving tribute so tendered to this outstanding Native Daughter whose

generous heart and hand were ever extended to all who needed kindly word of encouragement, or an assist over the rough "El Camino Real" of life. The friendship and love Sallie R. Thaler gave is cherished in the hearts of thousands of Native Daughters and friends throughout the State.

The Museum Room to be so restored was originally part of the Priests's quarters and is immediately adjoining the arch connecting the restored Chapel and Sachistry and facing on the old original El Camino Real. It has been approximated that the cost of such a room would be \$5000. The walls in this section are the best preserved of the remaining Soledad ruins. While heavy rains this last winter have again taken considerable toll, the room can be authentically restored on the original foundation. Old photos, drawings and writings provide complete information on the rest of the architectural detail.

The Sallie R. Thaler Museum Room would be in keeping with the original plans of restoring the Chapel, several rooms to be used as a museum for the housing of his-

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NOTE OF APPRECIATION

For the past two years Past Grand President Miss Grace S. Stoermer has served as Chairman of the *California Herald* Magazine Committee of the Grand Parlor. Ever since the *California Herald* was designated the official publication of the Order she has given unstintingly of her time and talents.

She has given the *Herald* the benefit of her familiarity with the affairs of the Native Daughters, of her wide acquaintance throughout the State, of her knowledge of California history and of her experience in the business world.

We, of the *California Herald*, wish to express to her our sincere thanks and appreciation.

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BEAR FLAG FOR NEW MONUMENT

Margaret Boettcher, president of *El Pinal* No. 163, NDGW, presented the California State Flag at the Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument dedication ceremonies. James Whitehead, Superintendent for the San Simeon Castle accepted the flag for the State. The flag was raised at the time Governor Knight cut the ribbon which formally opened the drive leading to the Hearst Castle. The flag will be flown over the monument headquarters.

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FLAG PRESENTED

Rudecinda No. 230 NDGW presented an American flag to the Mary Star of the Sea school in San Pedro. Participating in the Parlor presentation was President Alice J. Parker, co-chairmen Ada O'Neill and Audella Kordich. Members assisting included Juanita Brooks, Helen Armstrong and Malvina Mumford.

Representing Boy Scout troop 208 in the ceremony were Bob Rados Jr., Bob Piazza, Andy Wall, Gregory Melouson, James Shotliff and James Ferrell.



LEFT: Boy Scouts Andy Wall, Bobby Piazza and Bob Rados participate in flag presentation with Native Daughters Alice J. Parker, Ada O'Neill and Ardella Kordich (not pictured.) RIGHT: Margaret Boettcher, president of *El Pinal* No. 163 presents flag to James Whitehead, superintendent of San Simeon Castle.



RUBY ANNIVERSARY

Liberty No. 213 NDGW instituted 40 years ago, celebrated its ruby anniversary in the Odd Fellow Temple, Elk Grove with 160 members and guests present. After getting into a party mood by singing "Happy Birthday Liberty Parlor," time was rolled back to 1918. The roll of charter members was then called. Eleven still holding membership include Mmes. Baker, Christiansen, Foulks, Kloss, Lewis, Markofer, Mathes, Rhoades, Schlmeyer, Wackman, and Windmiller. As the audience stood with bowed heads in silence and in memory, "He" was sung by Winona Cound.

Since it was PGP Ema Gett of *Califa* No. 22, Sacramento, who was instrumental in instituting *Liberty* Parlor, it was fitting that *Califa*'s escort team should participate in presenting the charter members. Rose corsages and ruby red crystal goblets were presented the honorees by the Parlor. President Agnes Eschler also presented gifts. Presented and introduced were PGP Doris M. Gerish, who recounted the interesting

history of *Liberty* Parlor; PGP Edna B. Briggs; Grand Trustee Mary Ehlers; DGP Elvira Allejo; Bessie Leitch, marshal in the 1918 institutional ceremonies; and Agnes Eschler, president of *Liberty* Parlor.

A contribution of \$30 was given to the Childrens Foundation Fund by *Liberty* Parlor through the efforts of Chairman Muriel Blodgett.

The ruby theme was carried out in all of the evening's decorations.

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TOURNAMENT . . .

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124 and Co-chairman Helen Dusenberry of *San Gabriel Valley* No. 281, have set a goal of 100 percent parlor participation. Contributions should be sent to the Native Daughters of the Golden West, 614 Central Tower, 703 Market Street, San Francisco 3, California, checks to be made payable to the Native Daughters Tournament of Roses Float Fund.

The Southern District Inter Parlor Chairman of Tournament of Roses, Marguerite Tann; Native Son Chairman, Homer Griffith; Native Daughter chairman and co-chairman, Vivian G. Morse and Helen Dusenberry, respectively, will conduct regular meetings with appointed chairmen from subordinate parlors and a committee to arrange for the planning and production of the Native Sons and Daughters float and to stimulate interest in local and statewide activities.

Send in your entry—or more than one if you wish—compete for the distinction of having your sketch "blossom" into a possible winning float in the New Year's Rose Parade. Remember — the deadline date is September 10.

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Study the past if you would divine the future.—Confucius.

ADMISSION DAY CELEBRATION

Admission Day which this year observes the 108th Anniversary of California's admission to statehood will be celebrated by the Native Daughters and Native Sons in Sacramento, September 8 and 9. A tentative schedule of events planned includes a dinner dance to be held September 8, at 8 p.m., El Dorado Hotel, 877 Canterbury Road, North Sacramento; a parade at 10 a.m., September 9; and open house and the awarding of parade prizes at 2 p.m., September 9, at the Native Sons building 11th and "J" Streets.



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THE LIGHTER SIDE OF IT

A high-brow is a person who doesn't think of the "Lone Ranger" when he hears the "William Tell Overture."

Considering all the recent happenings, it's plain that man's next challenge is the conquest of space—parking space, that is.

A boy went over to get his girl friend. Thoughtlessly he let her open the car door. Sarcastically she said, "Where's your chivalry?" Enthusiastically he replied, "Haven't you noticed? I traded it for this Edsel."

Cowboys nowadays don't have trouble rolling cigarettes. It's adding the filter tip that gets them.

Housewife, to applicant for cook's job: "How much salary do you expect?"

"It all depends, ma'am; do I peel or unfreeze?"

A little lady entered a candy store and asked for a box of integrated chocolates. She wanted the dark and light mixed. — Frank Hall.

If there's anything harder than breaking a bad habit, it's to refrain from telling other people how you did it.

Neurotic: One who has discovered the secret of perpetual emotion.

People who wonder where this younger generation is headed would do well to consider where it came from.

In the old days if anybody missed a stagecoach he was content to wait a day or so for the next one. Now he squawks if he misses one section of a revolving door.

Teacher: "Who were the Phoenicians?"
Pupil: "I think they were the people who made my mother's blinds."

He: "It will be perfectly simple for us to marry, dear; my father's a minister."

She: "Okay, let's give it a try. Mine's a lawyer."

"Sir, do you have an opening in this office for a smart young man like me?" asked the job applicant.

"Yes, we do," said the office manager, "and please don't slam it on your way out."

On a guided tour of Civil War battlefields, the guide gave instance after instance in which a handful of Grays routed regiments of Blues.

"Didn't the Yankees ever win?" probed a New Yorker.

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An Australian was trying to impress his visitor from Texas. As they watched a group of kangaroos in a park, the Texan admitted, "You've certainly got bigger grasshoppers than we've got."

Some are bent with toil. Some get crooked trying to avoid it.

If Patrick Henry thought taxation without representation was bad, he should see it with representation.

Horsepower was much safer when only the horse had it.

Salesman: "Is your mother home?"
Boy (sitting on steps): "Yes, sir."

Salesman (after knocking several times): "I thought you said your mother was at home?"

Boy: "I did. There she is across the street, sitting on our porch."

The two old bachelors got off on the subject of cooking and one of them commented:

"I got one of them that cookery books once, but I never used it. Too much fancy work in it."

"How come?" asked the other.
"Why, every one of those recipes began: 'Take a clean dish,' and that stopped me."

Politics makes strange bedfellows, but they soon get used to the same bunk. — Banking.

Two women compared notes on their husbands. "Dear," said one, "which do you reckon is the laziest husband, yours or mine?"

"I'm not guessin'," was the reply. "Things are bad enough without starting a contest."
—Louisville Journal

Grandfather had a farm, father had a garden, son married a girl who got a can opener at a kitchen shower.

"What's the matter with you?" the wife demanded. "Monday you liked beans, Tuesday you liked beans, Wednesday you liked beans; now Thursday, all of a sudden, you don't like beans."

Father to small boy: "You're going out into the world and meet other boys. Now, get this, YOUR Dad's not going to lick THEIR Dads!"

It now costs more to amuse a child than it once did to educate his father.—Spokesman.

When you're worried about how hard it is to keep up with the Jones' pause for a moment and pity poor old Mr. Jones.
—Newark News

Inflation is something that cost \$10 a few years ago and now costs \$15 to get it fixed.

If you can keep your head when all about you are losing theirs — maybe you just don't understand the situation.

ORANGE COUNTY MINE

In 1878, a silver ledge six feet wide was being developed in Santiago Canyon, near Santa Ana, Orange County. Prospectors were located upon the hills for miles around. Samples of ore assaying \$450 a ton were frequently reported. A stage line was established between Anaheim and the growing town of Silverado which had over 100 population.

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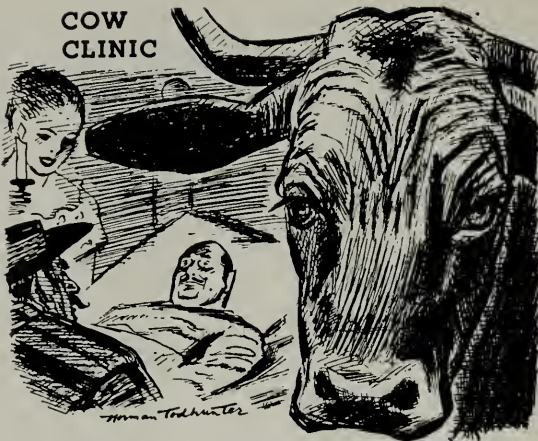


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strikes yearly more than 8,000 Californians. While fewer die today of the disease, recovery still means a long, hard fight.

THALER MEMORIAL . . .

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torical relics, and living quarters for a resident caretaker, so that eventually Mission Soledad may be placed on a self-supporting basis in that the Chapel can then remain open for visitors the year round and the museum program expanded.

Whole hearted assistance to the program has been pledged by Grand President Eileen Dismuke of *Tierra de Oro* No. 304, of Santa Barbara, the Grand Officers and Mission Soledad Restoration Committee, Native Daughters of the Golden West. The Subordinate Parlors, members and friends are invited to share in this lasting and permanent memorial to a beloved member and outstanding citizen of the State of California.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Plans are being made for a Golden Anniversary reception for *El Pinal* No. 163, to be held in Cambria at the Veterans Memorial Building on August 23 at 8 o'clock in the evening. A few members will be on hand to receive their 50 year pins and the parlor will hold an open meeting. Chairmen appointed are as follows: invitations, Evaline Curti; refreshments, Althea Soto; decorations, Rosalie Rhoades; program, Margaret Boettcher and Hazel Bordagaray.

A recent survey of 534 food markets in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties shows that 22,290 shopping carts were stolen from these stores in 1957. It is estimated that 55,000 carts were stolen within the year from all markets in the area. Each costs the merchant \$32.

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In December, 1907, thousands of signs were posted by the Los Angeles Police Department along the railroad tracks from the desert to the heart of the city. They read: "HOBOS KEEP MOVING. Food is scarce and rent high. Taxpayers refuse to support you. Long sentences on chain gang given here — 60 to 90 days our specialty. Edward Kern, Chief of Police."

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CALIFORNIA PLACE NAMES

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There are several stories of how the name was first given to the area. According to one account a group of Spanish-Californian soldiers were prevented by high winds from crossing the Carquinez Strait and that they ran out of food. They found an Indian village where they obtained *pinole* and so gave that name to the rancharia.

Another tradition is that these soldiers were besieged by Indians at a place called Cañada del Hambre (Spanish for "glen of hunger") and that they were forced to eat *pinole* made out of wild grass seeds.

The word *pinole* is derived from the Aztec *pinolli* meaning any grain or seeds that have been ground and toasted.

THE FARALLONES

Farrallones, Spanish for "small rocky islands in the sea," is the appropriate name for a group of rocky islets about 32 miles west of the Golden Gate. They were first dis-

covered by the Cabrillo-Ferrelo expedition in 1543. In 1579, Sir Francis Drake, who landed there to get a supply of seal meat, called the group the "Islands of St. James." The Vizcaino expedition mentioned them as the "farallones," but named them *Los Frayles* (Spanish for "the Friars.") In 1775 Bodega called them *Farallones de los Frayles*, a name used until the 1870's.

It is estimated that by 1810 that Russian hunters, accompanied by Aleut Indians had killed over 200,000 seals at the islands. In the early 1850's great quantities of bird eggs were harvested from the Farallones for consumption in San Francisco.

SANTA PAULA

The locality of the present city of *Santa Paula*, in Ventura County, was first seen by white men on August 13, 1769. Fr. Juan Crespi describes what is probably the Santa Paula Creek when he says, "We traveled two hours, during which we must have made two leagues, and stopped near a village of heathen a short distance from an arroyo which we

would call at this point a river. . . . The village is composed of twenty houses made of grass, in a spherical form, like a half orange, and with a vent at the top by which the light enters and the smoke goes out. . . . The heathen made us presents of their baskets of seeds, which were repaid with beads, and they went off well satisfied. We called this river and the spot *The Holy Martyrs, Ipolito and Casiano*. In the afternoon we felt two earthquakes."

The present city of *Santa Paula* was laid out in 1872 by Nathan W. Blanchard and E. L. Bradley on a portion of the old rancho *Santa Paula y Saticoy*, a grant of 17,773 acres to Manuel Jimeno Casarin. There are many St. Paulas in Roman Martyrology, but tradition has it that the Santa Paula referred to in the name of the rancho was a disciple of Saint Jerome.

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Book Review

It Was Told To Me, by Florence Danforth-Boyle. A Carlisle & Co., San Francisco.

This is the story of Bidwell Bar delightfully told by a Past Grand President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

Bidwell Bar was once a teeming mining camp of over 6,000 persons and the second county seat of Butte County. Mrs. Boyle has caught the flavor of the pioneer days and most important, has presented an excellent account of Bidwell Bar's great landmarks, the suspension bridge which has spanned the Feather River for more than a century and the famous "Mother Orange Tree."

Commencing with the bridge lying in the yard of the Troy Iron Works in New York, the author traces its voyage around Cape Horn, its installation in 1855, and its years of usefulness. The story of the Mother Orange Tree will prove particularly interesting to those who think that citrus trees grow only in southern California.

PIONEER CHURCH . . .

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Wilmington Parlor, the Rev. Wesley Havermale, Dean of the Convocation of the Episcopal Church for the Long Beach area, gave the invocation.

Mrs. Maxiene Porter, Grand Marshal of the Grand Parlor, NDGW, led the pledge of allegiance which was followed by the singing of the national anthem accompanied by Miss Gladys Farmer, organist. Mrs. Catherine Erven, Chairman of History and Landmarks of Wilmington Parlor introduced a number of guests.

Dr. Leo J. Friis gave an address tracing the history of St. John's Mission and its historic church around which Mrs. Porter presented the plaque which was accepted by Dean Havermale.

Santa Barbara Grand Parlor

by Genevieve Martell

The Native Daughters of the Golden West held their 72nd Grand Parlor at Santa Barbara last June 15-19 with Grand President Irma M. Caton presiding at the sessions. About 700 members were in attendance.

At the Memorial Services held on Monday, Past Grand President Evelyn I. Carlson delivered a eulogy on the life of the late Past Grand President May Catherine Bolde-mann, Past Grand President Jewel McSweeney paid tribute to the memory of Past Grand Secretary Sallie Rutherford Thaler, and Grand Inside Sentinel Rhoda Roelling eulogized the late Past Grand President Amy Harris McAvoy.

On Tuesday evening Miss Nancy Wagner of San Bernardino Valley Junior College won the public speaking contest, following which Mrs. Florence Grass, Chairman of the Tournament of Roses Float Committee presented a film on the famous New Year's parade.

An important event of Wednesday afternoon was the presentation of a plaque marking the location of the Royal Presidio of Santa Barbara. Incoming Grand President Eileen Dismuke served as chairman for the occasion with Mrs. Sarah E. Gray as honorary chairman. The plaque was formally presented by Joseph R. Knowland, Chairman of the State Park Commission, and accepted by Mayor Floyd O. Bohnett. Speakers of the day were attorney Francis Price, Sr., whose subject was "King Carlos III," and Fr. Maynard Geiger, O.F.M. who discussed "The Head and Heart of the Presidio."

Fun Night was enjoyed on Wednesday evening at Oak Park with members of *Reina del Mar Parlor* No. 126 serving as hostesses with Miss Ellen Hayward as chairman.

The following Grand Officers were installed on Thursday evening: President, Eileen Dismuke, *Tierra de Oro* 304; Junior Past Grand President, Irma M. Caton, *Argonaut* 166; Grand Vice President, Maxiene H. Porter, *La Tijera* 282; Grand Marshal, Edna C. Williams, *Sequoia* 272; Grand

Secretary Irma S. Murray, Aloha 106; Grand Trustees, Alice D. Shea, *Presidio* 148, (Chairman); Josephine T. Sullivan, *Buena Vista* 68; Wealthy M. Falk, *Palo Alto* 229; Mary M. Ehlers, *Rio Rita* 253; Rhoda Roelling, *Stirling* 146; Lee Brice, *Marinita* 193; Katie G. Jewett, *El Pinal* 163; Grand Inside Sentinel, Fern E. Adams, *Berryessa* 192; Grand Outside Sentinel, Senaida Sullivan, *Beverly Hills* 289; and Grand Organist, Mildred S. Kearney, *Poinsettia* 318.

Hostess Parlors for the 1958 Grand Parlor were *Reina del Mar* 126, *Santa Maria* 176, *Tierra de Oro* 304, *El Aliso* 314 and *Poinsettia* 318.

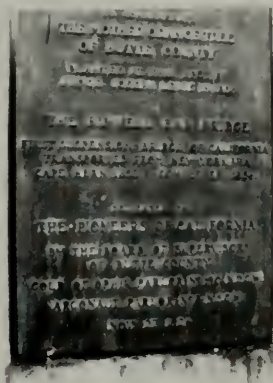
Anaheim's Gates

The city of Anaheim, which was founded in 1857, was the crossroads of the San Pedro-San Bernardino Highway and the San Diego-Los Angeles road. The town was established on open range land and therefore it was necessary to build a willow fence around it to keep out cattle.

On each side of the town a gate was installed in the fence. The westerly gate was appropriately called the "San Pedro Gate," that on the north the "Los Angeles Gate," that on the south the "San Diego Gate" and the one on the east the "Santa Ana Gate." Santa Ana referred to the community along the Santa Ana river above Olive, not the present city of Santa Ana which was not founded until 1869.

During the great Drought of the Sixties, countless thousands of cattle died on the parched plains. The day of the Ranchero was done. In his place came the farmers who purchased lands for about \$10 an acre and commenced raising grain and fruit.

With the passing of the cattle business "fence laws" were enacted requiring owners of livestock to fence in their horses and cattle. Anaheim's fence was no longer necessary and its gates were taken down.



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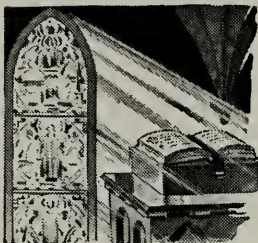
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19
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March 30
Mabel C. Thomas, Liberty No. 213, March
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July 14, 1957
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118, April 8
Avis Graham Burke, Fresno No. 187,
April 16
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125, April 21
Ora Russell Randall Bates, Morada No.
199, April 18
Catherine Rowley Tilden, Gold of Ophir
No. 190, April 16
Minnie Garden Baldwin, Golden Gate No.
158, April 30
Jennie Harris Van Mourik, Bear Flag No.
151, April 15

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185, May 9
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2, April 25
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3
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REUEL GRIDLEY . . .

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Entering into the enthusiasm Gridley offered to buy back the flour for two hundred dollars, the money to be given to the United States Sanitary Commission, the Red Cross of the Civil War days. Gridley's offer of purchase was the signal for the commencement of an auction. T. B. Wade assumed the role of auctioneer and eager bidders topped Gridley's offer. The flour was sold for \$350. The successful bidder not coming forward quickly, Gridley offered to take over the bid. However, M. J. Noyes, a newly elected councilman, insisted upon being permitted to assume the honor and he poured out a pile of gold pieces. Upon the flour being delivered to him he immediately returned it for resale, all proceeds to go to the Sanitary Fund.

The auction continued and the flour was sold and resold many times. The greatest offer came from the defeated candidate for mayor, David E. Buel. Being short of gold, as he had lost heavily on the election, Buel offered a certificate of indebtedness of the United States Indian Department for \$1,115. As it was payable in greenbacks and gold was the only recognized money, his bid was regrettably rejected. Later he made an offer of a block of town lots which was accepted, \$4,349.75 in cash was realized at the auction. The sale continued on the following day and a committee was appointed to take care of the money and send it to the Sanitary Commission.

Upon the formal organization of the City of Austin a seal was adopted which had in its center the picture of a sack of flour with the motto, "Sanitary Fund, \$5,000."

Observing the enthusiasm that had greeted the auction at Austin the local Sanitary Committees in other Nevada towns invited Gridley to bring his sack of flour and visit them. This he graciously did. At Virginia City the auction netted \$6,052.50; at Silver City, \$895, and at Dayton, \$1,299. Gold Hill contributed nearly 7,000 an a return engagement at Virginia City brought \$12,025.

After his tour of towns on the Comstock Lode, Gridley visited California in response to urgent invitations. At San Francisco he told his story and explained that the flour was "A-1

in quality," having been manufactured by John Bidwell of Chico. Gridley toured Eastern United States where he was enthusiastically received. He ended his trip at the great Sanitary Fair in St. Louis.

Gridley did all his traveling at his own expense and he came back to Austin heavily in debt. He returned to California where he died in 1870. He was placed to rest in the Stockton Rural Cemetery. In 1887 the local post of the Grand Army of the Republic erected a handsome statue above his grave. On the base appear these words:

"THE
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REUEL C. GRIDLEY
Born Jan. 23, 1829
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Erected by Rawlin's Post No. 23, Grand Army of the Republic and the citizens of Stockton, Sept. 19, 1887; in gratitude for services rendered Union Soldiers during the War of the Rebellion in collection 275,000 dollars for the Sanitary Commission by selling and reselling a sack of flour."

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May I again tell you what an extreme honor it is to serve as your Grand President. I look forward to a year of accomplishment for each and every one of you and for the great work which has placed our Order in an enviable position in this great State.

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CONCANNON STORY . . .

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was born in the family home at the Vineyard in 1884, still resides there. He became general manager while



Joseph Concannon, Sr.

his brother Thomas was chemist and winemaker and Robert was in charge of sales. During prohibition the Concannon Vineyard continued the production of wine through sales to churches and drug stores. In this manner the continuity of winemaking technique was preserved.

By purchasing the interests of his brothers and sisters, Joseph, together with his wife, Nina, became the sole owners of the Vineyard.

Through the years the vineyards and winery have been expanded



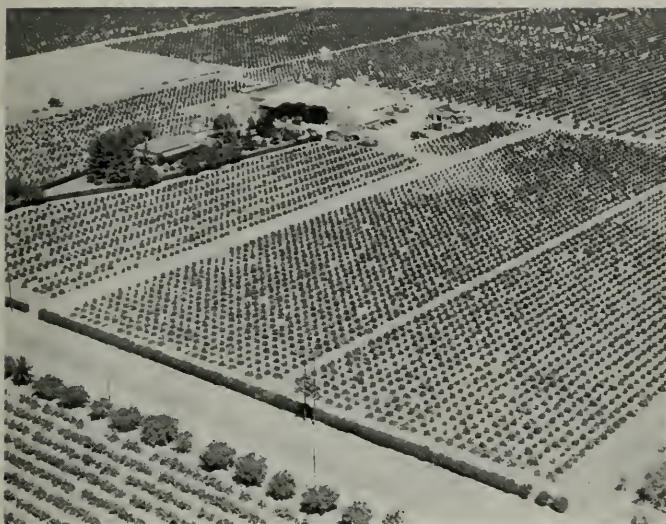
Joseph Concannon, Jr.

from time to time. In 1937 Joseph planted Cabernet Sauvignon grapes which have produced medal winning wines. His Zinfandels have also won gold medals at the California State Fair. These are, of course, exceptions to the general practice of cultivating the Semillon and Sauvignon in great quantities in the vineyard.

Joseph Concannon inspects his winery every morning and evening



James Concannon II



Aerial view of Concaunon Vineyard

in true army fashion. He believes that cleanliness is a major factor in developing fine wine. The delicate Haut Sauterne and rich-bodied Chateau Concannon are aged for years in wooden casks to produce famous Sweet Sauternes. Wines such as Cabernet Sauvignon, Pale Dry Sherry and the liqueur-type Muscat de Frontignan are aged in barrels and oak tanks as small as 200 gallon capacity each.

Today the Concannon Vineyard is a family corporation with Joseph Concannon as president; his wife, Nina, as vice-president; son James as wine chemist and Joseph, Jr. as sales manager. Two daughters, Marie and Nina, complete the family of four children.

James Concannon, named after his grandfather, the founder, is chemist-winemaker. He lives with his parents at the family home and oftentimes is with the wine day and night during the vital periods of fermentation. This is necessary as for instance an error of merely one hour in drawing off a fermenting Cardinal Rose from the skins of the black grapes from which it is produced can result in unfit color or flavor.

In addition to specializing in fifteen varieties of table wines the Concannon Vineyard produces altar wines which are sold principally to Roman Catholic, Protestant Episcopal and Lutheran Churches. In fact, approximately 40% of the production

of the winery is altar or sacramental wine.

The Code of Canon Law, established by the Roman Catholic Church sets forth the specific requirements for the production of a valid and licit altar wine. The Holy Office from time to time, expands upon these requirements and interprets them if questions arise. Basically, this type of wine must be produced only from mature grapes, must not be spoiled by any bacterial action, must be natural without the addition of any chemical constituents, cannot be derived from the stems or skins after the grapes are pressed, must be between 5% and 18% alcohol by volume, must have been fermented, must be pure in that it cannot contain matter which should settle out during aging such as lees, yeasts, excess cream of tartar, etc. Foreign ingredients cannot be added except where the Holy Office or theologians allow it. A winery must hold a current approbation to produce altar wines which permit is received from the bishop within whose diocese the winery is located.

The Concannon Winery, which was originally established to make altar or sacramental wine, has never departed from the high standards which its founder set. Today it produces 14 varieties of altar wine whose quality is backed by the experience of three-fourths of a century.

MARY E. FOY HONORED

Miss Mary E. Foy of *Californiana* Parlor No. 247 NDGW was recently honored on her 96th birthday by the presentation to her by the Los Angeles City Council of an elaborately decorated scroll. Miss Foy was born at the site of the present Post Office Terminal Annex in Los Angeles and spent her girlhood days at the family home where the Statler Hotel now stands.

Following her graduation, at 18, from the high school which stood on Telegraph Hill, she became the third librarian of the Los Angeles Public Library and the first woman to serve in that capacity.

At that time the library was housed on the second floor of the Downey Block where the present Federal Building is now situated at North Main and Temple Streets. Miss Foy recalls that in those days the ground floor of the building was occupied by a saloon whose customers occasionally climbed upstairs to get information to settle their bets, as for instance, "Which Webster wrote the dictionary, Daniel or Noah?"

Of her the well known Los Angeles writer, Charles F. Lummis, once said, "Miss Foy was the first person in this city to grasp the privileges and responsibilities of librarianship. So far as actual interest and use go, perhaps this public institution never had a more useful activity than it had in the hands of one who was a girl graduate from Los Angeles High School of that day."

Miss Foy has always taken a great interest in California history and is now busy writing her memoirs. She was one of the incorporators of the Southwest Museum.

Her father, Samuel C. Foy, a native of Washington, D.C. established a harness and saddlery business in Los Angeles in 1854. From 1856 to 1865 he also dealt in cattle, periodically taking herds north to San Francisco.

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A young man was showing his grandfather through an exhibit of modern art. At the end of the tour the young man asked, "Well, Granddad, what did you think of it?"

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